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Soviet troops sent to Latvia and Estonia

By Mary Dejevsky in Moscow and Our Foreign Staff

Baltic republics of Estonia and Latvia 10 keep order after riots in their capitals, Tass said last night. Their deployment to re-

dead a youth trying to enter a military compound in the third rebel Baltic republic of Lithuania. Tension there persisted in spite of President Gorbachov's declaration yesterday that the Kremlin was prepared to examine any possibility to resolve its differences with Lithuania, provided the

cess was observed. Mr Gorbachov spent two hours with Mrs Kazimiera Prunskiene, the Lithuaninan Prime Minister on Thursday, a meeting Mrs Prunskiene described as a hig step forward

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When Elisabeth Petre, a married woman with two sons, was chosen to play the Virgin Mary in the Oberammergau passion play it broke a 300-year tradition. It also provoked open hostility. George Hill reports from a town divided: Page 29

> An outsider made good

Sir Peter Hall spent a childhood in Suffolk with parents of modest ambition who never went abroad: "It wasn't so much a class gap as an education gap between us," be tells Ray Connolly: Page 31

Alternative meats British beef has had a bad week with concern over

mad cow disease, but there are alternatives. Robin Young reports on the increasing popularity of organic meat and Frances Bissell offers recipes using meat substitutes: Page 35

TRAVEL

Heading into the unknown

No one knows what will happen in Hong Kong when it is returned to China in 1997. Shona Crawford Poole knows the city as it is now and offers a traveller's guide to its high-

SPORT

Leighton in Scots squad

intensity life: Page 53

Jim Leighton, the goalkeeper dropped by Manchester United for the Cap Final replay has kept his place in Scotland's World Cup squad and will go to Italy: Page 45

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inforce local garrisons came as Soviet soldiers "I still bave very many double sold to be soldiers to be soldiers to be soldiers to be soldiers." I still bave very many double sold to be soldiers to be soldiers to be soldiers to be soldiers. were reported to have shot about Soviet intentions of moving towards resolution of Lithuanian representatives in Moscow are actively seek-

ing a third-party guarantor to

oversee the transition to independence. They fear that if the elected parliament agreed to suspend its independence declaration, it might be sum-marily abolished. Mrs Prunskiene yesterday visited the British, Canadian and Norwegian embassies in Moscow, and one of the reasons for those calls appears to have been the quest to find an intermediary to make sure the Soviet Union kept any undertakings it gave about Lithua-nian independence.

Mrs Prunskiene also met the American Secretary of State, Mr James Baker, who is in Moscow to finalize prepara-tions for the Washington summit on superpower arms talks at the end of the month. Afterwards, he said: "We're very hopeful that a dialogue can begin and we find it very encouraging that Mrs Prunskiene was able to meet with

President Gorbachov."

At thet meeting, Mrs.

Prunskiene handed the Soviet leader a document detaiting an offer to suspend all legisla-tion proceeding from the declaration of independence for a transitional period, during which the republic's "independence, integrity and the functioning of its mandated authorities" would be guaranteed, and putting forward five specific proposals:

 Talks on co-operation between Lithuania and the Soviet Union to ensure Soviet security, the security of the republic's western border and communications with the Kaliningrad region, which is administered directly from

An attempt to find a compromise between Lithuania's promise to guarantee its citizens the right to perform military service or not and the Soviet need to ensure its security interests;

The need to draw up hilateral agreements on economic and property relations between the republic and the soviet union "in such a way as to preserve and increase economic and transport links"; Talks on the establishment

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to discuss some specific points, in particular the month-old economic blockade and the question of compulsory military service, but Mr Gorbachov insisted that none could be discussed until the main dispute over the republic's unilateral declaration of independence had been resolved satisfactorily.

Mr Butkevicius also emphasized the tense atmosphere in the republic and the real danger of unrest if a spark were ignited. He said the disturbances in Latvia and Estonia earlier this week between Russians and native Balts had been a precursor of the sort of "provocation" that might be mounted on a higger scale in Lithuania.

On Monday, Mr Gorba-chov declared the independence moves of Latvia and Estonia invalid, following the strict tone he adopted with Lithuania, and on Thursday, the Soviet Procurator's ofice ordered prosecutors in the two republics to crack down on violations of the Soviet constitution and to ensure that Soviet laws were en-forced. P.O-MOSOW residents tried to storm the two republic's parliaments to protest against the independence drives on Tuesday, but were were reported and local activists said the police and interior ministry troops behaved well. It was to help those troops that reinforcements were sent in yesterday, although the number of men being deployed has not been

The shooting incident in Lithuania yesterday came after several complaints of rock-throwing at sniper at-tacks on Soviet soldiers at military installations. There are suggestions, bowever, that if Moscow decided to take military action in the republic it might not be able to count on the loyalty of its troops in the Baltic. Increasingly, it is said, they are understanding the depth of feeling in the republic and fear the sort of conflict between Russians and the indigenous people that resulted from Soviet military

intervention in Baku.

Troop cuts, page 10

Arms control talks showing progress

Major progress had been made on an arms control treaty that would crown the coming superpower summit, Mr Eduard Shevardnadze, the Soviet Foreign Minister, said yesterday after talks with Mr James Baker, the United States Secretary of State.

Mr Baker had earlier reported progress in five hours of talks with Mr Shevardnadze and President did a lot." Mr Shevardnadze Mikhail Gorbachev, adding that he would provide details at a news conference today.

Mr Shevardnadze said he

always believed the United States and Soviet Union could meet the target set by their leaders at the Malta summit last December by agreeing the main points of a strategic arms

reduction treaty [Start). "We are moving in that direction," he told reporters at a ceremony to present a medal to a US citizen who helped to save victims of the 1988 Armenian carthquake. "We said big advances had also been made on a chemical weapons agreement. (Reuter)

Prestwick.

on Thursday production.



Prestwick attracts European

airline By Kerry Gill

A NEW airline is to introduce flights linking Prestwick Airport with several European cities, including Brussels,

Amsterdam and Reckjavit.
The unfouncement yesterday, by Mr George Younger, deputy chairman of the Royal Bank of Scotland, and former Secretary of State for airport's role after its loss in status two months ago, as Scotland's transatiantic

Emerald Air, based in Belfast, hopes to begin operations in November and proposes a twice-daily service between Prestwick and London City

airport. In addition to flights to Belgium. The Netherlands and Iceland, links with Stavanger in Norway, and Edin-

hurgh are also proposed. Mr Younger, Conservative MP for Ayr, said Emerald Air would provide a significant contribution to Prestwick's future viability and it was hoped that at least two North American carriers would be encouraged to begin operations from the airport as a result.

He said that the Government's "Open Skies" policy, which has allowed transatlantic flights from Glasgow and Edinburgh, had been wrong and, once new transport links were completed. Prestwick could look forward to a new cra as an inter-

national airport. Mr Bill Best, managing director of Emerald Air said 60 jobs would be created, divided between Belfast and

e Engineers employed by Shell Expro yesterday managed to rectify faults on the Brent Alpha platform which had forced the shutdown of the Flags gas pipeline serving 15 North Sea installations late

The shutdown had threatened to send oil prices spiralling on the markets as output is interdependent on gas

Tory deposit lost | Election strategy in Ulster vote

By Edward Gorman

THE Conservative Party's 948: Mr Gary McMichael first venture into Northern freland electoral politics for 70 years ended in humiliation yesterday when their can-didate lost her deposit in the Upper Bann by-election.

The scat was retained comfortably by the Ulster University with Con-dida's ide David Trimble topping the poll with a majority of 13,849, slightly down on the party's performance at the

General Election in 1987. Mrs Colette Jones, the Conservative candidate, came sixth, polling just 1,038 votes. almost 1,000 votes behind Sinn Fein, the IRA's political wing, which came third. Mrs Jones was among eight of the record 11 candidates standing

who lost their £500 deposit. The voies east were: Mr David Trimble (UUP) 20,547; Mrs Brid Rodgers (SDLP) 6.698; Ms Sheena Campbell (Sinn Fein) 2.033; The Rev Hugh Ross (Ulster Independence) 1,534; Mr Tom French (Workers Party) 1,083; Mrs

'BSE' test

on dead cat

Pathologists in Northern Ire-

land are conducting a post

mortem on a cal suspected of

dying from a feline version of

the "mad cow" disease. The

cat had showed symptoms

similar to those displayed by a

five-year-old Siamese diag-

nosed in Bristol as having

succumbed to a condition

similar to bovine spongiform

Guerin fine

Parent Industries, a company

wholly-owned by Mr James

Guerin, the former deputy

chairman of Ferranti, has

pleaded guilty in the US to

racketeering and agreed to pay

a \$4.4m fine Page 17

Smoke clue

Smoke drifting under the cockpit door of the jet which

crashed on the M1 could have

been the clue leading the crew

to assume they had a problem

with the right-hand engine, the

encephalopathy (BSE).

(Ulster Democratic Party) 600; Peter Doran (Green) 576; Mr Erskine Holmes (Right to Vote Labour) 235; Alistair Dunn (SDP) 154. The result will fuel further

criticism from within the Conservative Party over the devision to organism in North-ern Ireland, taken at last year's party conference. Mr Trimble, aged 45, a law

lecturer at Queen's University in Belfast, told cheering supporters at Banhridge, County Down, that the result demonstrated the united and determined opposition of Unionists to the Anglo-Irish Agreement, which he said was the principal election issue.

Political analysts hlamed the poor showing for Mrs Jones on her apparent support for the Anglo-Irish Agreement, the fact that Upper Bann was nor regarded as a strong Conservative area, and on her support of the community charge, which will not be introduced in the province. Colette Jones (C) 1,038; Dr William Ramsay (Alliance)

Trimble's victory, page 4

Record

soccer fee

of £7.7m

AN ITALIAN footballer changed clubs yesterday for a fee of £7.7 million, a world record for a single player.

Roberto Baggio, aged 23, a midfield player for Fiorentina

and Italy, had signed a three

year conuact with the Turin

club. Juventus, but would not

confirm claims that his new

club had paid 16 billion lire

Juventus, one of the richest

clubs in the world because of

their association with Fiat

beat Fiorentina in the UEFA

Until yesterday, the record

fee for a player was £5.5

million, which was paid by AC

Milan to PSV Eindhoven for

the Dutch player, Rund Gullit, in 1987.

Record bid, page 45

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though many other tycoons in Australia.

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Van Gogh collectors - have found

recently their creditors not so

Mr Saito's company. Daishowa Paper,

was founded by his father, Chiichiro, in

1938 in Shizuoka, central Japan. Ryoei

understanding.

divides Cabinet

By Sheila Gunn, Political Reporter

Senior members of the Cabi- summer of speculation over set up a ministerial "A team" this summer to start work on the Conservative manifesto for the general election.

A strong group within the Cabinet is arguing that, if the Conservatives are to stay in power to the end of the century, they must not lose their radical edge by giving away the political initiative to to include Sir Geoffrey Howe, the deputy Prime Minister Mr John Major, Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr Chris Patten, Secretary of State for Environment

They have met with resisance, however, from Mr Kenneth Baker, the party chairman, who believes a manifesto committee fashioned on the last administration's ministerial A team should not be formed until after the Conservative Party conference in October.

In the face of conflicting advice, the Prime Minister is believed to side with Mr Baker

net are at odds over moves to the future direction of the party. The breach hinges on whether the Government should aim for a quiet summer" after the bruising over the poll tax, the leadership issue and the economy or keep up the momentum of the

drawing up a new agenda. The Prime Minister and her key advisers are also believed Labour. They are understood to be looking for six months of caim, competent government before plunging into the business of preparing for the next manifesto. As disclosed in The Times yesterday, Mr Baker will today signal the party's summer offensive against the Opposition's blueprint for a Labour government.

> His strategy is to damage Labour's opinion poll showing and to sell the Tory policies coming on stream this year before getting to work on the new agenda.

Sir Geoffrey and Mr Douglas Hurd, the Foreign Sec-retary, both said the Government had to set out its in being reluctant to provoke a vision of the future.

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Talks progress, page 8 The Japanese art lover's £94m spending spree



Mr Ryoei Saito: \$100 m ceiling for paintings

From Joe Joseph

TO PICK up one multi-million dollar masterpiece in a week could be considered fortunate; to pick up two might be just a little callous. Mr Ryoei Saito, the Japanese tycoon who this week paid \$160 million (£94 million) for two paintings by Van Gogh and Renoir, is unrepentant. "I know that some people will criticize what I have done." he said yesterday, "But I believe in 50 to 100 years' time they will understand."

"Following these purchases," said Miss Tomoko Inukai, one of Japan's allpurpose television commentators. "Japan's image as a nouveau riche nation has been aggravated."

Mr Saito - aged 74, hugely rich, head of Japan's second biggest paper manufacturer, and the man who has made gallery owners rethink their price tags -

is not much concerned with carpers. He was willing to pay even more than the record \$82.5 million he stumped up on Tuesday for Van Gogh's haunting "Portrait of Dr Gachet" and the \$78.1 million he paid two days later for Renoir's "Au Moulin de la Galette". "I told the dealers that \$100 million was the ceiling for each painting," he said yesterday. "I am very happy. Once you like something, you should go all the way. I don't think the prices were expensive."

"Works by Van Gogh or Renoir rarely go on sale, so I'm very lucky. What's more. I think it's wonderful that these masterpieces will come to Japan." If the prices seemed secondary to Mr

Saito it may be because he, like many of today's more fashionable husinessmen. went to his bankers rather than his bank account to pay for the paintings. "Debis can be counted as assets"

turned an already thriving business into Japan's second biggest paper maker and one of the Tokyo stock market's bluest chip shares. Last year he was the 32nd biggest taxpayer in Japan with a hill for 790 million yen.

Having landed a couple of unexpected bargains, Mr Saito decided to use the rest of the borrowed cash earmarked for the two paintings but now hurning a hole in his pocket to buy a Rodin sculpure at the Sotheby's sale in New York on Thursday. "It was only 650 million yen."

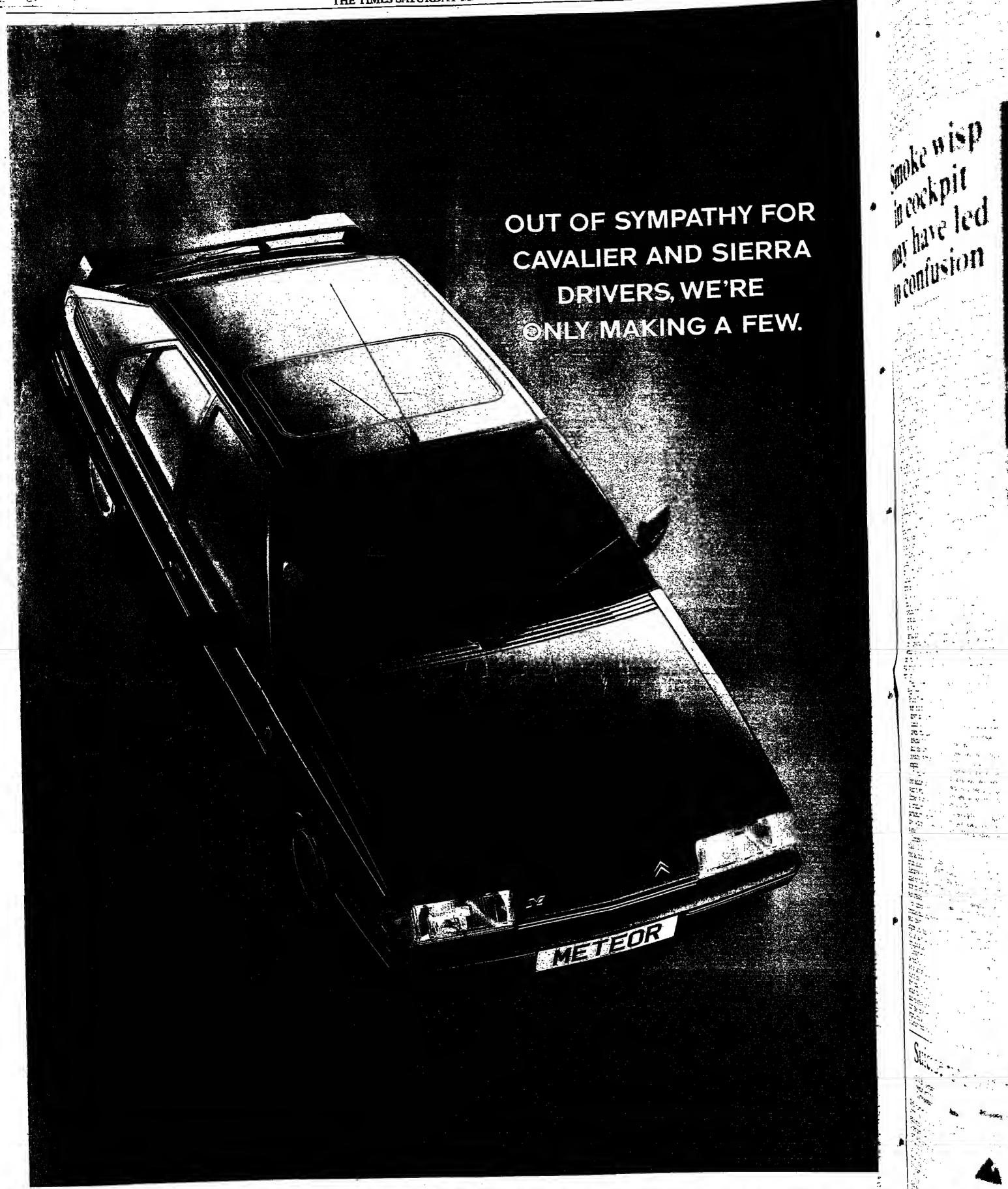
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Drivers of Cavaliers, Sierras and Renault 21s, for example. Poor souls who will have paid rather more for cars which offer considerably less.

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Sadly, some of them won't even have electric front windows, an electric sunroof or central locking. And none will have their journeys smoothed by that legendary Citroën ride.

Of course, many of these deprived drivers will deserve very little sympathy. If they chose the wrong car, they have no one to blame but themselves and their lack of imagination.

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The ones our hearts should really go out to are those who desperately wanted a BX Meteor but were

denied the privilege by the limited supplies.

On the other hand, if they didn't move fast enough, the BX Meteor is obviously not the car for them.

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Little ships of Dunkirk assemble for return voyage

By John Young

TWENTY-SIX of the surviving "little ships" of Dunkirk are assembled at Dover to prepare for next week's Channel crossing to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the evacuation. Mr David Roll, commodore of the Association of Dunkirk Little Ships, said yesterday that he hoped the flotilla would be 80-strong by the time it sails for France next Thursday.

"A lot of them are quite close to not being ready," Mr Rolt said. A number of the boats were in regular use and well maintained but others were "in a terrible state", having been rescued after years of

abandonment and were still being pre-that she had been at Dunkirk. He is hoping pared for the voyage.

"Inevitably with 80 old ladies, there is going to be a breakdown or two," Mr Rolt said, but the fleet would be escorted by two Royal Navy ships, a frigate and a minesweeper, as well as a Brixham trawler and two lifeboats

One of the most elegant boats in the fleet, Tahilla, is owned by Mr Jerry Lewis. the association's rear commodore, whose wife, Peggy, is its secretary. Mr Lewis, an insurance consultant, bought Tahilla, a twin-screw motor sailer built in 1922, 20 years ago, but did not discover until later to take one of the veterans of the evacuation on the expedition and expects to welcome many others on board in Dunkirk. "But hardly any of them are under 70 and a lot of them are just not fit to do the whole journey. It's a very long day."

Fifty years ago last Monday an announcement was made on the BBC that the Admiralty had requested all owners of self-propelled pleasure craft between 30ft and 100ft in length to send all particulars within 14 days if they had not already been requisitioned. The "request" was, in fact, an order. Under wartime regulations, private yachts could be requisitioned for of the surviving little ships and, at his son's harbour defence and a number were already in use as naval auxiliaries.

On May 26, 1940, a coded telegram was sent by the War Office to the Admirality stating that the emergency evacuation of troops from the French beaches was under consideration and that, if it went ahead, it was to be known as "Operation Dynamo". The name was derived from the control centre at Dover, a generating station overlooking the harbour. The rest has passed into legend.

In the spring of 1964, Mr Raymond Baxter, the BBC commentator, bought one

suggestion, decided to organize a return to Dunkirk. With the help of The Sunday Times, whose then editor, the late Sir Denis Hamilton, was one of those taken off the beaches, 43 vessels were assembled for the reunion.

The association now has more than 120 members who have been granted the right, traditionally reserved for admirals of the Royal Navy, to fly the Cross of St George at the bows of their boat on special occasions. The Duke of Edinburgh will pay an informal visit to the assembled flotilla next

Wednesday afternoon.

Smoke wisp in cockpit may have led to confusion

A WISP of smoke which seeped into the cockpit could be the first real clue as to why shutting off the auto-pilot, the pilots of the British Mid-which had the effect of the pilots of the British Mid-land 737 which crashed on the MI shut down the wrong engine, it was disclosed

Captain Kevin Hunt, aged correct engine. 44, told the inquest at the coroners' court in Loughborough, Leicestershire, into the death of the 47 victims of the disaster that he had spotted said Later he told the inquest the smoke coming into the that Mr McClelland was cockpit under the cabin door,

Captain Hunt, who has strument panel. been confined to a wheelchair since breaking his back in the crash m January last year, said the smoke indicated to him that the right-hand engine could have been the cause of the procedures for doing so. the problem because it feeds

Mr Charles Haddon-Cave, counsel for the survivors and smelled the strong smell of bot oil you saw a thin trail of smoke which appeared to be coming through the cockpit door, and you later mentioned it was the position of the smoke and your knowledge of the air-conditioning system which led you to think it was the right-hand engine which was probably the source of the

"That is: correct," Captain Hunt replied. He told Mr Philip Tomlinson, the coroner, that he would never shut down an engine on the evidence of a wisp of smoke alone, but said: "I can only assume that with the smell and the sight of it we had a possible incipient fire in the

"It had not started burning, but heating up, and I did not want to wait for it to burst into flames, where you are making. a situation which is not a particularly pleasant one into one which is considerably

worse." Captain Hunt, like his copilot, Mr David McClelland, said he could not recall many of the details of the flight from: Heathrow to Belfast. In the crash his back was broken and both his legs, feet and ankleswere crushed.

He agreed that he had throttled back and eventually shut down the right-hand engine and that that engine was in good working order throughout the flight.

Captain Hunt said the first he recalled was the smell of hot oil and metal and looking round the cockpit to see the thin trail of smoke coming under the cockpit door. He said he knew from the smell that the problem lay in an engine, but told the inquest he tion he and his co-pilot then had. He said he remembered stabilizing the vibration on the flight deck, and led him to assume that he had carried out the correct action on the

Captain Hunt said he then remembered Mr McClelland pointing at something. "What it was I don't remember." he pointing towards the in-

The inquest was told he then remembered thinking about shutting down the engine, and assumed that Mr McClelland had followed out

His next recollection of the air into the cabin's air crash, said Captain Hunt, was conditioning system, while the of a fire warning sounding in left-hand engine provides air the cockpit and trying to make for the cockpit. "I the cockpit and trying to make for East Midlands airport. "I remember we had to try and avoid Kegworth and the M1." the victims' families, asked he said. "There is a piece of Captain Hunt: "After you moderately flat land the other side of the M1 but we did not get that far."

Captain Hunt said that, as the aircraft headed for dis-aster, he remembered ordering Mr McClelland to try to restart the right-hand engine. "We had not got time to start it and it was purely a mind removal exercise," he said. "David was having to sit there and watch what was going to happen and I gave him something to think about."

He said the next few secnnds' work were the hardest that he had ever had to do. "There were two particular places to avoid - the village of Kegworth and the Mi."

Captain Hunt, who flew both the 737-300 and the 737-400 variants, said that he did not find the new electronic instruments in the 400 as good as the needles and pointers in those on the 300

The Air Accident Investigation Branch report into the disaster will not be published for some months. It is known to contain 27

safety recommendations. During the inquest, it has become clear that they will include the fitting of a warning light above the vibration indicators to indicate which engine is causing trouble; the instal-lation of closed-circuit television to enable pilots to see the outside of the aircraft, and a dedicated radio frequency during an emergency to enable crews to talk to controllers without being interrupted by other aircraft in the vicinity. Discussions are

of the draft report. The coroner will sum up the evidence of 41 witnesses on Monday and the jury is expected to return its verdict anoxia - lack of oxygen to the

being held about the wording



'killed boy'. at dentist

BOY aged nine died after being injected with an overdose of anaesthetic while in a dentist's chair, it was alleged yesterday. Mr Nitin Kotecha, the dentist, and Mr George Brown, his anaesthetist, face allegations of serious professional misconduct before Committee of the General

Dental Council. Mr Timothy Preston said Mr Brown, of Learnington Spa, administered more than double the anaesthetic's recommended dose. He said Mr Brown and Mr Kotecha, of Barnet, north London, failed to monitor Darren Bamford's condition adequately and to ensure resuscitation equipment was available. Mr Preston said Darren was taken to Mr Kotecha's surgery

in Chestrunt, Hertfordshire, on June 16 last year. Mr Brown administered 50mg of a barbiturate drug with another 20mg shortly afterwards for the operation, which was supposed to last 10 minutes. He administered further doses up to a total of 165mg over 20 minutes before

the operation was stopped.

Mrs Moira Barry, a senior nurse, pointed out that Darren's lower lip had turned mauve and mouth-to-mouth resuscitation and cardiac massage was attempted. Darren was put on a ventilator but 10 days later the ventilator was turned off. A pathologist gave the cause of death as cerebral

Anaesthetic | Rare watch found in stock sale

By John Shaw

A SHARP trainee discovered a gold watch with an unusual movement, worth between £12,000 and £12,000, among stock from a jeweller's shop that is being shown for the first time at Sotheby's in Chester today. Mr Richard Chadwick, aged

23, of Cleveleys, Lancashire, was cataloguing hundreds of pocket watches in the sale of stock from John Dyson and Sons, a famous jewellers in Leeds that closed in February. The routine task caused excitement when he found an 18 carat gold-cased watch with a rare six-minute revolving escapement signed John Dyson and inscribed watchmaker's to the Admiralty" The example was made in

Mr Chadwick, an antique watch enthusiast, said: "I'd spent several days cataloguing them and they all seemed virtually identical, but this had a movement with an unusual feature I'd only read about and never seen. The specialist in London told me he'd only ever seen one other

The watch was made on the premises and had never left the shop. Dyson's, founded in 1856, became the pre-eminent jewellers, silversmiths and waichmakers in the city. Viewing of the 2,000 lots takes place today prior to a threeday auction beginning on Tuesday. The sale is expected

Schools may close unless more girls' places provided

that they could face closure because they provide more places for boys than girls.

The Labour authority said that closure was a "radical" tion to comply with a riigh Court judgement which found the council guilty of sex discrimination by providing fewer places for girls than boys in the city's grammar schools. The council was taken to

court almost three years ago by the Equal Opportunities Commission and the High Court ruling was confirmed by the Appeal Court and the House of Lords. Although the council maintains the six schools, four of which are for boys, it has argued that it has. no legal power to force their governors to correct the imbalance in provision of places.

The schools say that the council is politically opposed come within the law because the governors of one of the six schools, Handsworth Grammar School for Boys, had refused to accept girl pupils.

When the council proposed last year that it would close the school by ceasing to maintain it, parents voted to opt out and receive funding directly from the Department of Education and Science. Five of the six schools are part of the King Edward Foundation, Dr Ste-

Dr Grainger said other op- Mr Michael Hiscox, the tions put forward were the city's acting assistant chief closure of one or more of the education officer, said yes-

selective school into a girls' grammar school. He said the options were included in a consultation document for governors and parents which had been sent out by the council's education department.

He said it contained misleading information and gave parents no time to consider the issues. He wanted it referred to the local government ombudsman on grounds of maladministration.

. Dr. Grainger said: "The parties should sit down and work out a sensible and proper solution. We do have more places for boys than girls, but we would be happy to talk one of the boys' schools as imbalance.

SIX single-sex grammar said yesterday that the schools mixed, if the governors were schools in Birmingham have believed the closure option happy and there was parental been told by the city council. was a schools threat.

Mr Michael Hiscox, the boys grammar schools, the esterday that 189 more boys tablishment of a girls, gram places were provided in the six SCHOOLS MAIN FOR GIFTS. He said: "We cannot make

them mixed schools. That is a matter for the governors. The options open to the council are very limited and that is why some of the options may seem a bit drastic. It reflects the lack of opportunity to make adjustments in the provision of places.

Mr Hiscox emphasized that closure would require the approval of the Secretary of State for Education and Science and was only one of the options that had been put forward. He said that the council had to act quickly to resolve the problem because the Equal Opportunities Comto selective education, but the about increasing the size of mission had threatened to council said it had been one of the girls schools. We take the council back to court thwarted in its attempts to are prepared to discuss having unless it corrected the

Tolstoy appeal is spared hurdle

By David Sapsted

LORD Aldington, awarded £1.5 million libel damages over allegations about forced repatriation at the end of the war, failed yesterday to obtain a court order requiring the historian Count Nikolai Tol-stoy to put up £188,000 secunity for costs before being allowed to pursue an appeal against the verdict.

Yesterday's court decision was welcomed by the count, who said that he would have had to drop his appeal if it had gone against him, because he

did not have the money. Mr Registrar Adams said, in a written statement issued after the Court of Appeal judge-ment had been given in private, that the court had decided not to award security for costs in view of the issues raised and the circumstances of the case. The judgement followed a four-day hearing, in private, in March.
After a nine-week trial, last

year, Lord Aldington, aged 75, a former deputy chairman of the Conservative Party, was awarded the damages for allegations by Count Tolstoy, aged 54, about the actions of the peer, while an Army officer at the end of the Second World War, in relation to the repatriation of Cossacks and anti-Tito Yugoslavs.

Lord Aldington was faisely accused in a pamphlet written by the Count Tolstoy, who lives near Ahingdon, Oxford-shire, and distributed by Mr Nigel Watts, aged 51, a property developer from Tunbridge Wells. Mr Watts, who was in a long dispute with the Sun Alliance insurance company, of which Lord Aldington is a former chairman, is not appealing.

Lord Aldington, who has already offered to forego all but £300,000 of the damages if Count Tolstoy drops his appeal, is considering an appeal against yesterday's ruling. The ruling means that Count Tolstoy's appeal against last November's verdict - after a trial that ran up costs of £1 million — will go ahead as planned on October 1.
In his statement, the registrar said that, in the interests

of justice, a reporting restriction banning publication of details of the written judgement and arguments advanced during the hearing should continue until after Count Tolstoy's appeal.

Count Tolstoy said of the ruling. "I am very pleased, There is no way I could have raised £188,000, and I would had to have abandoned my appeal." in a reference to the disclosure by Mr Henry Lambert, chairman of Sun Alliance, that financial help was being given to Lord Aldington - albeit that the sum was "infinitesimal in terms of our legal expenses" - Count Tolstoy said: "It is very bizarre that Lord Aldington is seeking security for costs which he is not going to have to pay."

A court order has frozen money in a fund set up to help Count Tolstoy to fight the original court action.

Another fund, established in Mrs Georgina Tolstoy's name and intended to save their home and ensure the continued private schooling of their four children, stands at

could not recall the conversa- later that day or on Tuesday. | brain. The hearing continues. | to make more than £500.000. | ven Grainger, its secretary, Suicide rate for men up by 50% in 10 years

By Jill Sherman Social Services Correspondent

THE number of men who commit suicide before they reach middle age increased by 50 per cent over the past 10 years, with farmers and doctors most likely to take their own lives, according to a report published by The Samaritans yesterday.

The suicide rate among men aged between 15 and 44 has risen in England and Wales from 10 to 15 per 100,000, while semale rates have gradually declined to about haif

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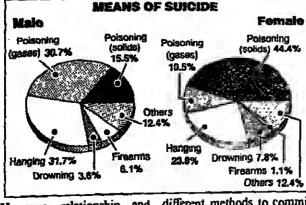
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In Scotland, however, the rate for both men and women almost doubled in the same period and were now 23 and 9 per 100,000 respectively. and physical isolation. "Bro-More than 4,750 people commit suicide every year in Great Britain, one every two hours, according to the report.

Part of the reason for the report said. rise in male deaths was thought to be the social-pressures of striving for success and trying to emulate a certain "lifestyle" in spite of increasing financial constraints for patient welfare. many and finctuating un-employment, the report said.



However, relationship and family problems, bereave- suicide. Men generally used ment, depression or loss of self esteem - although aggravated by social pressures - were usually vehicle exhaust furnes often behind suicide attempts.

Farmers worked long, tiring hours that could lead to social ken marriages, frequent financial difficulties and a high incidence of farming accidents are all too common," the

Doctors also worked long hours but in addition they were constantly exposed to human suffering and pain and had to take responsibility for

The survey also showed that

different methods to commit more violent methods such as hanging or poisoning by gas -- while women opted for poisoning such as taking an

cause of death after accidents

overdose. Rates in both sexes were rising faster among certain age could be as high as 200,000. groups, such as adolescents and pensioners. The suicide however, was among elderly rate among young people had more than doubled in the past 30 years and ranked third as a else but in addition they may

A study of mainly female loneliness. adolescents who had attempted suicide by poisoning showed that 76 per cent had men and women tended to use parental problems, 52 per cent during the late spring and of service.

were worried about school or early summer. Emotionally work and 52 per cent had charged festivals such as St relationship problems. More Valentine's Day and Christthan one third of all calls mas could also trigger suicides received by The Samaritans or self-inflicted injury. were from young people, and it was not unusual for calls to come from children under the age of 10, the report said. Parasuicide" - non fatal

"It is a powerful statement of distress and is often more of an impulsive act undertaken in order to release tension and stress and give voice to feelings of anger, frustration and loss of self-esteem," the report us

of parasulcide involving working in conjunction with poisoning occured every year and the figure for all cases

The highest rate for suicide, people. Many experienced the same problems as everyone suffer ill health, lowering income, growing isolation and The report also showed

Launching Samaritan Week, from May 21 to May 25, Mr Simon Armson, chief executive, said Samaritans airned to reach people before deliberate self-injury - was they got to the point where particularly common among suicide was the only option. "Someone commits suicide

every two hours - this is a tragic loss of life," he said. "We know we must make every effort to reach out to those people in greatest need, and not just wait for them to call The organization had set up

An estimated 100,000 cases an Outreach programme other agencies so it could work more effectively with patients in hospitals and prisoners, who had less access to a private telephone. Mr Armson said the organizatino had 22,000 volunteers responding to 25 million contacts every year, but was always in need of further recruits.

It was looking for 6,000 helpers to expand the service seasonal variations in suicide and needed to raise £4 million rates with most taking place to maintain the present level



Kinnock sets out 'less painful' cure for inflation

A LESS painful cure for high inflation was put forward yesterday hy Mr Neil Kinnock as he set the stage for the launch, next Thursday, of Labour's hlueprint for its general election manifesto.

The Government's reliance on "punitive" borrowing rates would be replaced by a combinatinn of credit controls, financial discipline and interest rates, plus full membership of the European Monetary System, to curb rising prices.

The Labour leader did not contain a firm commitment not to spend more than the country can afford. The 20,000-word policy document has been drawn up to answer Tory charges that the Opposition is long on rhetoric but short on policies.

Yesterday, at the Welsh Labour Party conference, in to show that he has a credible said. and electorally appealing angrowth" and slow price rises.

However, with Mr Kenneth Baker, the Conservative Party chairman, preparing for a summer offensive against Labour's revised programme, particularly on its economic

Judges say Gecas case must go on

THREE judges at the Court of Session in Edinburgh yes-terday refused to delay an action for damages hy Mr Antony Gecas, aged 74, over allegations about his wartime

Mr Gecas, of Moston Terrace, Edinburgh, is suing Times Newspapers. Mr Brian Gill, QC, for The Times, asked the court to allow his clients to go to Lithuania to take the evidence of five witnesses. The court said it was not even alive. This would have led to the postponement of the court hearing set down for June 5. Lord Dunpark, sitting with Lords McCluskey and Mc-Donald, refused the motion for the discharge of the date for the court hearing.

"It seems to us that if we were to grant the commission there would be infinite delay with prejudice to Mr Gecas. who is 74 and we are informed in poor health," he said. The to do to the inflation figures judge said that his claim for damages, in what has been a employment figures - not long and expensive case,

and trade union policies. Mr Kinnock knows that his prescriptions will be closely scrutinized.

The policy document is understood to contain at least spending commitments, but they have been made sufficiently vague by Mrs Margaret Beckett, the shadow thief secretary to the treasury, to make it difficult for Mr Baker to assess their cost.

Yesterday, Sir Geoffrey Howe, Leader of the Commons, fired the opening shots elaborate on the financial dis- in the Tory counter-attack hy ciplines that he would impose, accusing the Opposition of but the blueprint is known to wilfully trying to mislead the public by removing "all the incriminating evidence from the scene of the crime".

Mr Kinnock coupled his remarks with a fierce attack on the Government's record, saying that the Tory slogan. "Conservatives Cost You Less", was the big lie of 1990. Tackling inflation was central Swansea, Mr Kinnock set out to Labour's programme, he

"Inflation must be brought swer to Britain's most pressing down and kept down - and it economic difficulty and to must be done, and can be underline his determination done, without the damage to take no risks with inflation. now being inflicted on fam-He also seized nn the latest ilies and industries by the unemployment figures to ac- highest interest rates in the cuse the Tories of forcing up major industrialized coun-inbless totals to "strangle tries," Mr Kinnock said.

"First, inflation must be brought down and kept down by a combination of controls on credit, financial disciplines and - yes - interest rates, too, but never by themselves and, in consequence, not at the punitive levels used by the Tories.'

Secondly, entry into the exchange-rate mechanism of the European Monetary System would be negotiated on the basis of "prudent conditions" to give Britain a "monetary sheet anchor".

These measures would be underrinned by long-term

underpinned by long-term changes such as investment in training, research and devclopment and transport.

Mr Kinnock accused the Conservatives of fuelling inflation with high mortgage interest rates, rent rises and a poll tax that made 80 per centof people pay more to get nothing extra for it. The Government was also forcing up unemployment to "strangle growth" and restrict price

Recalling Mrs Thatcher's remarks to Scottish Tories last Saturday that a like-for-like comparison with most European countries would shave nearly three points off the retail prices index, Mr Kinnock said that the Government was planning to "fix" the numbers.

He said: "They are going to try to take mortgage rates and poll tax out of the inflation figures. They are going to try what they did to the undeal with the problem, just fix

Security-risk leak fuels dispute on MPs' reports By Sheila Gunn, Political Reporter



A car-bomb check during a security crackdown at Westminster yesterday after this week's London bomh attacks

Collision course set over **NHS** pay

By Tim Jones Employment Correspondent

THE GOVERNMENT was last night on course for another confrontation in the National Health Service after the decision of union leaders representing more than 250,000 workers to ballot on strike action over pay. Five unions have now rejected offers of up to 7.8 per cent as "totally inadeqate" and are laying plans for industrial action, ranging from three-day stoppages to all-out indefinite strikes by groups of key workers.

Yesterday, more than 200 delegates from the National Association of Local Government Officers, representing 140,000 clerical and administrative workers, rejected by three-to-one a 7.7 pay offer, which is 1.7 per cent below the present rate of inflation. They are demanding rises of £18 a

Another 140,000 NHS hospital support workers, who belong to the Confederation of Health Service Employees, are also balloting for industrial action after a 7.8 per cent offer. They are demanding rises of £17.33.

Unlike other unions representing the support grades, who are balloting without a recommendation, the union is urging its members to embark on a campaign of industrial action.

Ulster poll winner a bright light in lacklustre party

By Edward Gorman, Irish Affairs Correspondent

generally lacklustre Ulster Unionist Party and who might one day become its leader.

Mr Trimble, who, at 45, is young for a UUP MP, will not take long to make his mark in the Commons and is expected to stand out among his colleagues as a vigorous, articulate, if not at times pedantic and angry, exponent of unionist anxieties.

Until now a committed devolutionist, he is a pas-sionate opponent of the Anglo-Irish Agreement, while also a determined campaigner for improving and making more accountable the Orders in Council system. In many respects the Queen's University law lecturer, who speaks for the party on legal issues and lives at Lisburn, Co Antrim, is unusual in modernday unionist politics.

His intellectual app regarded with suspicion by many in his party and his uneasy blend of middle-class renectability and barely concealed rough edges of the "street fighter" mentality, do not sit easily with the stuffier elements of Ulster unionism.

His critics claim that there is more prejudice than reason in his political outlook and point to his proud involvement in the Ulster Clubs movement, in the workers' strike which brought down the power-sharing executive and

MR DAVID Trimble, the new Roman Catholic rhetoric liam Craig's proposals for a MP for Upper Bann, is remore often associated with Mr voluntary coalition including garded as a bright light in the lan Paisley's Democratic the SDLP, would suggest he is Unionist Party than with Mr James Molyneaux's UUP.

A recent example of this was Mr Trimble's decision to join Mr Paisley and others on the roof of Mr Molyneaux's head-quarters in Belfast — much to the UUP leader's embarrassment - to hurl abuse at Mr Charles Haughey, the Irish Prime Minister, when he visited the city last month.

Mr Trimble's allies rec-ognize that at the heart of his political thinking there is an uneasy paradox where reason. moderation and a genuine desire for reconciliation, battle the instinctive prejudice and ghetto mentality of the born and bred Orangeman.

As one colleague said: "David is a gut Unionist for good or for worse - he's prejudiced for that reason even though intellectually he finds it difficult to justify. But he is also capable of a greater understanding than most unionists of the need to balance support for your tribe with practical negotiation."

Mr Trimble's route to Westminster has not been as easy as it might have been. Although long ago sacrificing his promising academic career for politics, he has missed out on a number of occasions since to move to centre stage. Although his past record and particularly his central inin his appetite for indulging in volvement with Vanguard in the kind of hysterical anti- the early 1970s and Mr Wil-

committed to power-sharing. observers will watch closely to see how he plays bis hand.

Some believe, at bottom, he would baulk if faced with the reality of sharing power with Roman Catholics and predict he may lose his appetite for devolution once safely in Westminster as some Unionist MPs have before him.

frimble, the ambitious political opportunist steadily honing down the rough edges. They predict he will align himself closely with Mr John Taylor, UUP MP for Strang-ford, described as the F W de Klerk of Ulster politics.

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Others, however, see David

man disclosed that he had no fundamental objection against journalists leaking reports already agreed by committees hut not yet published.

The privileges committee chaired by Sir Geoffrey Howe. Leader of the Commons, said that premature leaks of two inquiries by the education select committee caused "substantial interference to its work. However, it failed to trace the leakers and made no recommendation to the Commons for further action to be taken against Guardian and Daily Telegraph journalists

security at military bases.

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for much stricter vetting. The

Times leaked the same report

latest chapter in the con-troversy at Westminster over

committee vesterday urged

that there be no relaxation in

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reports. However, one chair-

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leaked committee reports. After investigating two pre-vious leaks, the privileges

concerned. The report said: "We retain the right to recommend a severe judgement against any Member or other person who. hy breach of trust or otherwise, chooses to inflict serious damage on a select committee ny making possible the pre-mature publication of its proceedings.

Is added: "We do not favour any change in the rules so as to diminish the protection given to select committees against the premature disclosure of their proceedings.

"We regard as established beyond rebuttal the contention that the work of the education committee suffered damage as a result of the premature disclosures."

Commenting on the leak of the defence committee report. Sir Hugh Rossi, chairman of the Commons environment committee, said yesterday: "If the committee have agreed the report already, then it is a

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THE Commons privileges matter which is going to be select committee backed down public in that form in any yesterday from taking action event." He added: "Where I think against newspaper journalists

for leaking MPs' reports as the BBC infringed Commons rules by prematurely publishments by prematurely publishments. ing the defence committee's draft report has not yet been report condemning lack of considered by the committee and the committee then considers it not impartially and With leaks becoming endemic at Westminster, the calmly based on the evidence, but under pressure from me-BBC disclosed that the defence committee's report on dia commentators suggesting security at defence bases, to be what they ought to say. oublished next week, will

Premature leaks cast suspicion on "a whole legion of innocent people", including officials.

However, Mr Tony Benn, Labour MP for Chesterfield said: "With the televising of Parliament and the growing public interest in the work of select committees, it is absurd that members should be advised to retain restrictions on reporting, based on a resolution passed 150 years ago."

Mr Benn disclosed that he had tried to amend the present rule so that all select committees should hear all evidence and deliberate in public. unless a motion to meet in private were agreed. During a private session of the privileges committee, the amendment was defeated by eight voics to one.

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Drink-drive campaign 'succeeding'

Police are succeeding in deterring Scottish drivers from drinking, but the Government will crack down even harder in future. Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, the Scottish Office minister, said yesterday.

Lord James told a police conference at Peebles in the Borders that recorded cases of people driving over the limit -fell between 1986 and 1988. New statistics were likely to show a further decline in 1989, Lord James said.

He pledged, however, that drunk-drivers would continue to face a high risk of detection because of the continued use of wide police powers.

Factory fire

Two workers were injured, Two workers were injured, one seriously, when an explosion caused a fire at a printing works in Idle, Bradford, yesterday, Fifty firemen attended the blaze at Watmough's Print. The village was sealed off and traffic diverted because of danger from toxic

Irish drug swoop:

terday when police swooped. on a house at Lame, Co Antrim, and siezed 25kg of. cannahis with a street value of £250,000. Detectives believe the drug was ready for distribution on both sides of the irish border by dealers linked to Protestant paramilitaries. .

Case dismissed

Charges against Mr Frank Peters, aged 42, a managing director, and Mr Neil Taylor, aged 47, an accountant, of being involved in a £2.5million fraud after the collapse: of the Parrot Corporation based in Cwmbran, Gwent, were dismissed by Cardiff; Crown Court vesterday.

Life sentence

A woman was jailed for life; yesterday at Leeds Crown -Court for murdering her brother at their father's sixtieth hirihday party in Bradford. Susan Richardson, aged 36, of Keighley, West Yorkshire, stabbed her brother Eric, aged. 37, in the heart.



Rifkind denies rift over Ravenscraig closure

By Kerry Gill

MR MALCOLM Rifkind, the Secretary of State for Scotland, said yesterday he had the support of the Prime Minister over bis statement to the House of Commons on the Ravenscraig closure and again denied that there was disagreement between himself and the rest of the Cabinet.

Speaking at Irvine, Strathclyde, when he visited a training centre, Mr Rifkind said the Government would try to persuade British Steel to reverse its decision to close the strip mill with the loss of 770 jobs.

"British Steel have tried to close Ravenscraig before. They had second

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closure with British Steel again and try to persuade them to change their mind," he said.

He also reiterated his view that an ever, that the Government would not uled for next year.

independent, Scottish steel industry might be an option, a view strongly supported by the Scottisb National Party. Mr Rifkind emphasized, howstep in to prevent the closure sched-

"We are not going back to the interventionalism of the past when a company which wanted to do something found legislation brought in to prevent it. That was nonsense," be

thoughts and the strip mill turned out to be profitable. We will discuss intention of resigning over the issue. "I am pleased with the Prime Min-ister's support. My call for British Steel to reconsider their decision is not against the Cabinet view. There was no disagreement. The company will decide on closure at the end of the day." Mr Rifkind added: "Ministers don't resign because companies want to do something for commercial

> Motherwell district council disclosed it had commissioned consultants to carry out a feasibility study into continuing investment in Ravenscraig and the Dalzell and Clydesdale steel works. The report

would investigate the market, technical and financial aspects of all three plants with the intention of building a water-tight case for investment

The council said in a statement it deplored the closure decision and was deeply concerned about the uncertainty surrounding the future at Daizell and Clydesdale. "The steel industry is a key component in Motherwell's economy. Disinvestment will have far-reaching economic, social and environmental consequences for the area," it said. More than 16,000 jobs were linked to British Steel operations, two thirds within companies supplying goods and services.

Parliament

Minister approves cash for tunnel terminal

The Government has approved investment of £98.5 million for the development of an inter-national passenger terminal at Waterloo Station in London, Mr Roger Freeman, Minister for Public Transport, an-nounced in the Commons

Making the announcement during a debate on the Channel tunnel rail link, he told MPs that he had also approved investment for a maintenance depot in West London, the two projects together worth £175 million.

The Government was still considering a "complicated package" of rail link proposals from British Rail and Eurorail. and he could not commit the Secretary of State or the Government to a statement before the spring recess next week. "We will try to reach a decision as quickly as possible."

He said that he had also approved new electric freight locomotives and the electrification of the line between Tonbridge in Kent and Redhill in Surrey. In all the investment totalled £250 million.

C). opening the debate, chicized British Rail's proposals for shigh speed link through rural Kent and Southeast London and said that the propasal for a terminal at King's Cross did not meet the need for a direct route through or around London for passengers going on to other destinations.

Commuters using existing lines had already complained about the inadequary of the

involved in BR's proposals was some of the most difficult terrain for engineering and construction purposes. He had grave misgivings about the proessionalism in the way that BR had considered the costing of the proposed route.

It drove through some of the most beautiful landscapes in South-east England, through farmland, small villages and communities, and through densely populated urban South-east London. All this implied environmental damage and both short-term and long-term

The rail link be routed around

Mr Gerald Bowden (Dulwich, North Kent, where there was a), opening the debate, considerable amount of detelict incized British Rail's pro-industrial land available cheaper than the expensive agri-cultural and residential land in South and Mid Kent. It could approach Stratford via South Essex. The proposal based on Strat-ford offered infinitely more to

all regions It should be seriously considered by British Rail, not rubbished as in the past with disinformation given to MPs. Mr Neil Thorne (Uford South,

C) said that hundreds of links and through-routes were considered, including the link through Stratford. British Rall had gone to considerable trouble and had looked into the matter thoroughly. But there was a time factor and they could not go on considering things forever. If every option were considered in detail they would still be discussing the matter by 2020.

Ms Kate Heey (Vauxhall, Lab), whose constituency includes Waterloo Station, said that one reason they did not trust British Rail was because the board had originally said that only one terminal would be needed and that it had to be at

Waterloo. It had predicted that the station would have to cater for ten and a half million people. British Rail had since dem-

onstrated how wrong its original estimates were by saying that there would probably be 40 million passengers using Water-loo when the tunnel opened in 1993. Water-loo would not be able to cope. Mr Richard Livsey, Liberal Democrat spokesman on Wales, said that debate on the link

> around London. The Principality, the West and the West Midlands were being forgotten. Why should the line go into London at all? Why not have an orbital rail by-pass which would link up, not only the rest of Britain, but the airports of Heathrow and Gatwick, providing a truly integrated transport

seemed to centre entirely

Wolfson Mark Mr (Sevenoaks, C) the British Rail proposal had all the hallmarks of a bodged job. The strategie issues had not been addressed before decisions on the route

system?

appeared to have been taken. Ms Harriet Harman

(Peckham, Lab) said that there should be a proper inquiry into the best route and there should be public investment in the

Mr Asdrew Rowe (Mid Kent, C) said that as British Rail floundered away, finally turning reluctantly to their enterprise partners to tell them how to design the line, he was right to be sceptical about their expertise.

Mrs Joan Ruddock, an Opposition spokesman on transport, called for an inquiry to examine all the rail link options.

Environment.

Public money was required, although Labour was opposed to using taxpayers' moocy to prop up private sector projects. It was time for a statement

about what was going on. Mr Freeman said that there was no question of the Govern-ment baling out the tunnel itself.

The Stratford terminal had been carefully evaluated. Had it been chosen. BR would still have approached it from the South, not from the East, to ensure that any benefits from the new line were shared with

Scientists appointed

The names of three scientists to Professor John Kmll. Chairserve on the new joint com-mittee through which the new conservation agencies to succeed the Nature Conservancy Council will work were an-nounced in the House of Lords by Lord Hesketh, Under Secretary of State for the

They are: Professor John Harper, Emeritus Professor of Botany, University of Wales;

man, Natural Environment Research Council and a member the NCC; and Professor Robert May, Royal Society Research Professor of Zoology and Professor of Zoology at Oxford University and Imperial-College.

The announcement was made during a debate on the Environmental Protection Bill which was given a second reading.

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Green belt land is sought for £200m soccer club scheme

PROPOSALS for a £200 mil-lion commercial, leisure and access to the M8, the Edin-create a small loch. Hearts' residential development on green belt land west of Edinburgh, which could generate up to 5,000 jobs, were announced yesterday by a venture company established between Murray International Hold-ings and the Bank of Scotland.

A planning application in-volving a 25,000-seat stadium for Hearts Football Club, an electronics company employ-ing 500, and 1,000 houses, is International, said he was confident that permission would be granted in spite of the proposed development being within the granted being within the green belt, because space in Edinburgh had all but run out.

The scheme, which could be completed by 1998, envisages up to 5,000 new jobs in manufacturing enterprises, a hotel and conference centre, a country and campus park and two villages of mixed tenure housing. Mr Murray, whose delivcred a brief of the project yesterday to Mr Malcolm Union Canal, which runs Riskind, Secretary of State for through it, would be widened Scotland, said the dev-

burgh by-pass and Heriot-Watt University.

He said that a leading electronics company was prepared to move on to the site once planning permission was given and had committed itself to provide 500 jobs. If permission was refused, he said, the local authorities "might as well put a sign up on the motorway saying no progress wanted, nn jobs wanted".

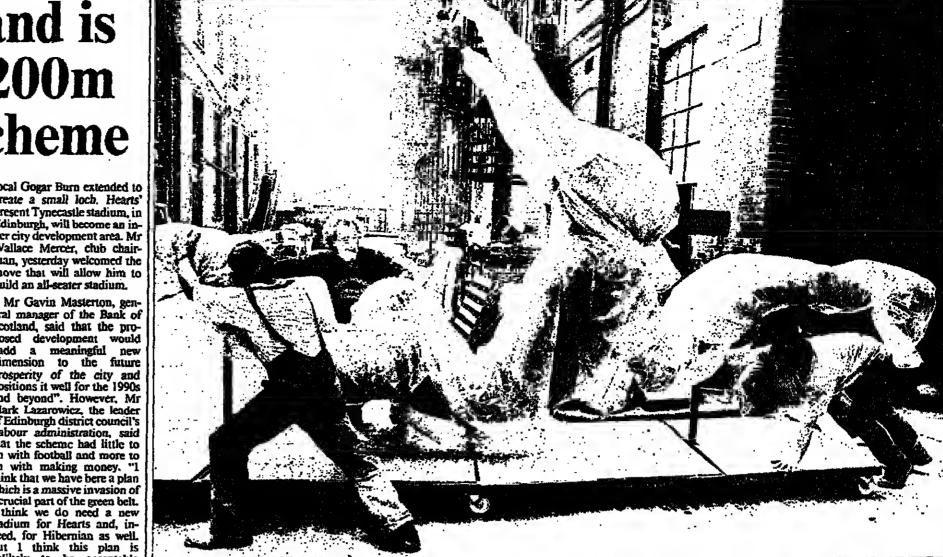
company, known as Murray BS, will sell the land needed for the stadium, for the hotel and conference centre, and for part of the site for housing and manufacturing development. However, Murray BS will be responsible for up to 50 per cent of the development work on the site, known as Hermiston Park.

The company said that at least two thirds of the 375-acre site would be open space. The Union Canal, which runs

present Tynecastle stadium, in Edinburgh, will become an in-ner city development area. Mr Wallace Mercer, club chair-man, yesterday welcomed the move that will allow him to build an all-scater stadium.

eral manager of the Bank of posed development would add a meaningful new dimension to the future expected to be submitted in the next two weeks. Mr David Murray, chairman of Murray International, said he was confident that permission would be granted in spite of the nurrosed development.

The application is bound to be called in by Lothian regional council and to be referred in Mr Rifkind for final approval. The venture of Edinburgh district council's company, known as Murray Labour administration, said the above head little to that the scheme had little to dn with football and more to dn with making money. think that we have bere a plan which is a massive invasion of a crucial part of the green belt. I think we do need a new stadium for Hearts and, indeed, for Hibernian as well. But 1 think this plan is unlikely to be acceptable because it is primarily a piece nf speculative property development rather than a serious proposal directly aimed at a



the arrival, protected by polythene, of his latest piece, "2nd Leaping Hare", at the east London foundry where it will be east in bronze. The work is

from next Wednesday to June 16 (Lin Jenkins writes). Mr Flanagan, who studied in the 1960s at St Martin's College of Art and Design, in London, has returned to the hare theme after having done

sculptures of elephants, unicorns and horses. Miss Jenny Mercer, for the gallery, said: "His fascination with the hare comes from its dual role as a popular cartoon animal and mythical symbol." The sculptures sell for between £35,000 and £120,080.

Man who revived

MR DAVID Murray, chair- border. For the man who man of Murray International started his career as a 17-year-Holdings, made one of his old metal business trainee, the periodic visits to Glasgow this week, dashing down the M8 from his Edinburgh headquarters in his blue Bentley, to disclose that one of his latest acquisitions, Rangers Football Club, was about to announce its first profit in 10 years.

community at the end of this month that it has achieved a being concentrated in proposit level of about £1 million erty and steel. "We have in spite of substantial borrowing to pay for new players and to make acquisitions soon. My extensive social facilities at its

Murray International Holdings, involved mainly in property and steel stockholding.

Murray International Holding in the said yesterday.

Now personally many the said yesterday. believed to be about to dis- made his first £100,000 on a close a similar success: a cut in £2 million annual turnover its borrowings from £55 mil- when he was 24. He is at lion to under £10 million.

crutches since a crash in his tract of land visited by Mrs Lotus Elite returning from a rugby match, is seen as one of Scotland's most successful businessmen of the past decade. He was Young Scottish sq ft of retail property. He Businessman of the Year in 1984. His company is the biggest private concern owned Prudential fur £29 million at biggest private concern owned by one person north of the



Mr David Murray: "We have money to spend"

1990s could see him becoming one of the biggest steel stock-holders in the United King-dom after the British Steel Corporation and, it is thought, a press baron before too long.

From a hefty overdraft of after a short time to a grammore than £11 million in mar school when his fast and March, Rangers is available. The former Fettes public March, Rangers is expected to business hit a trough - has tell the Scottish business ambitions within the media.

present involved in a venture Mr Murray, aged 38, who with the Teesside Dev-has walked with the aid of elopment Corporation on a

Thatcher in 1987. This involves a proposed mix of 700 houses, 800,000 sq ft of office space and 200,000 South Gyle, Edinburgh, where his beadquarters are situated.

One of his greatest coups, however, was the purchase of Rangers for a mere £6 million 18 months ago. Mainly due to a frenetic period developing the club's catering and commercial activities, Rangers' financial perfirmance has proved one of the greatest successes in Scottish business in recent years.

Mr Murray puts this down largely in his management team, picked for their expertise in fields such as catering, commerce, football admin-istration and public relations rather than blind faith in the future of the "Gers".

Lazy worker leaves mark on history

By Nick Nuttall Technology Correspondent

carpenter and a computer 882. Tree rings are fatter or system that compares tree thinner depending on prevailrings and records of Middle ing weather conditions over England oaks spanning more growing years. than 1,000 years have allowed scientists to date the construc- compared ring patterns in tion of Anne Hathaway's cot- newly-felled oaks with those disclosed yesterday.

tree ring experis - at Not-tingham University and histo-match, with a high level of rians at the University of accuracy, the "master" pat-Warwick are convinced that terns with those from Anne the home of William Shake- Hathaway's cottage. speare's future wife was built in late 1492 or early 1493. The used "green", or young, timdiscovery is part of a two-year ber, the scientists can conproject funded by the Lever-hulme Trust, a timed at oak and the building. Howestablishing the age of medi-eval buildings and the life-eval buildings and the life-eval buildings are the carpenter that researchers

styles of people of the time. Timber samples from 60 of Anne Hathaway's home.

cruck buildings, which are
Most medieval builders retimber-framed homes from moved the bark and some before or during the medieval layers of nuter, light, wood to period, have been sampled.
Full findings are scheduled to
Full findings are scheduled to be published next year. At the neglected to do so and the heart of the research are presence of bark on the sample records of oak tree rings for the East Midlands, taken from of the growth of the trees used.

A LAZY fifteenth century local buildings dating back to The researchers have

tage to within a year, it was in progressively older timber disclosed yesterday.

in progressively older timber samples from buildings in the Dendrochronologists - area and a computer system

> As medieval carpenters were able to pinpoint the date

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ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SECURITY

acement does not apply to Scotland: this backdaring provision applied in Scotland after 1 April 1989.

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

10 outlaw racial and sexual discrimination in the legal complement the new "twinprofession are likely to hring ning" scheme by which links about far-reaching changes, Lord Mackay of Clashfern, the Lord Chancellor, said

The proposals, on which the Stream civil and commercial Government has tabled amsets. endments to the courts and legal services Bill now going through the Commons, would provide "greater equality of opportunity both for new entrants and for established practitioners". Under the amendments, the provisions of the Sex Discrimination Act 1975 and the Race Relations Act 1976 would be extended to barristers' chambers and those instructing them.

of Court Students' Associbarrister or barrister's clerk to discriminate against a person on grounds either of sex or race in respect of the offer of a pupiliage or of a tenancy in chambers".

"This is a very important provision," he said, "and one which enjoys the support both of the Bar Council and its race

Seizures of drugs up 600%

SEIZURES of illegal drugs from maritime surveillance mounted by Customs in co-operation with officials of other European countries have usen by more than 600 per cent to 25 tonnes since 1986 (Quentin Cowdry writes).

UK Customs officers, who believe the increase under-lines the importance of liaison between European states, signed a formal agreement on maritime and aerial surveillance yesterday with counterparts from France and Spain.

British Customs operates a group or sex. fleet of seven cutters, mostly in the Channel approaches, chairman of the Bar, said: "I hut increased smuggling in am delighted that the Govern-small craft to the west coast of ment has taken this opportu-Scotland may bring about a change in deployment.

GOVERNMENT proposals relations committee." Lord Mackay said the change would are to be formed between sets of chambers where barristers from ethnic minorities are concentrated and the main-

The amendments would also make it unlawful for anyone, in relation to the giving, withholding or acceptance of instructions to counsel, to discriminate on grounds either of sex or race. Lord Mackay said: "It will require both solicitors and the other professionals and organizations who instruct barristers to exercise their professional judgement to choose counsel Lord Mackay told the Inns on the basis solely of mcrit."

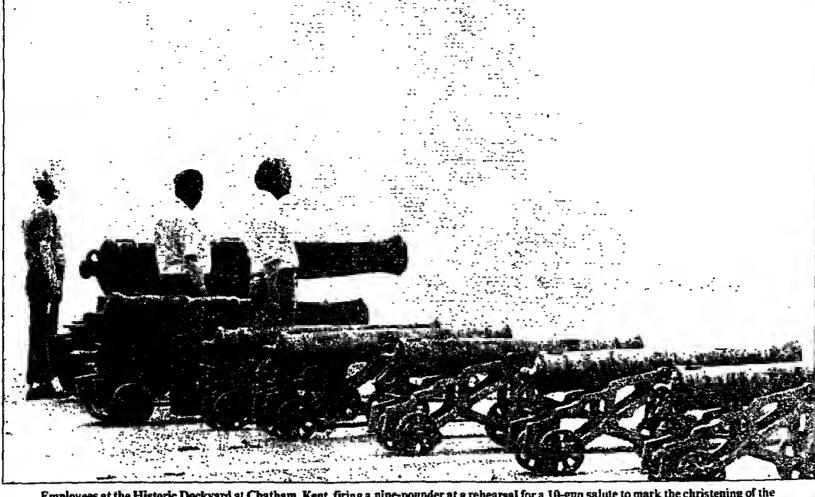
The strength and proation at Birmingham Univer- fessionalism of the Bar lay in sity that in relation to the qualities of "detachment chambers, the amendments and judgement" which its would "make it unlawful for a members brought to their cases as independent coosultants, he said.

At present, the provisions of the race relations Act and sex discrimination Act do not cover barristers in private practice. That is because they do not practise in partnership or have contractual relationships with the other members of their chambers or clients.

While the amendments were welcomed by the Bar, however, the Law Society expressed regret that they did not permit solicitors to exercise the exceptions contained in the race and sex discrimination laws. Under the exceptions, choice can be exercised in favour of a certain racial group or a particular group in certain defined circumstances.

"For instance," the Law Society said, "a black actor can be sought to play Othello. or a female nanny can be recruited to help a mother." The Law Society said it wanted to see a similar arrangement so clients could instruct barristers of a particular racial group or sex where the circumstances were such that the barrister's services could most effectively be provided hy a barrister of that racial

Mr Peter Cresswell, QC, the nity to correct these omissions



Employees at the Historic Dockyard at Chatham, Kent, firing a nine-pounder at a rehearsal for a 10-gun salute to mark the christening of the Olau Britannia, a new ferry from The Netherlands. Two of the guns were recovered from the Medway and restored at the dockyard

Clan chief loses a noble clause

By Sheila Gunn. Political Reporter

protect the purity of their bloodlines in the new era of fertilization tcst-tube techniques.

Lady Saltoun of Abernethy, chief of the Fraser clan, campaigned and won the support of Lord Mackay of Clashfern, the Lord Chancellor, for a provision in the Warnock legislation to prevent children borne from embryo or sperm donation from inheriting titles, coats of arms, bereditary posts or any other fringe benefits from the centuriesold peerage system.

She argued that if infertile peers produced offspring with the help of the new procedures they will not be the "true" heirs. While she did not reject a commoner being certified as the legal father when he was not the natural father, she issued a warning that it threatened to contaminate the progeny of the nobility.

On her side were ranged various bodies coocerned with preserving the purity of hereditary bloodlines. How-Fyfe, Labour MP for Glasgow ryhill defeated the Gov-

MPS HAVE foiled an attempt Fertilization and Emhryology by Scottish hereditary peers to Bill during the closing session of the Commons committee stage scrutiny.

Among those who gave Mrs Fyfe victory hy 10 votes to six were the Conservative MPs Dame Jill Knight and Mrs Edwina Currie. The defeated included Mrs Virginia Bottomley, Minister of State for Health, Sir Nicholas Lyell, the Solicitor General, and the Conservative MP Mrs Ann Widdicombe,

Mrs Fyfe argued that Lady Saltoun's idea was "a lot of nonsense" and pointed out that there was never any check in any case to ensure that a hereditary peer was the real father of his offspring. If such controls did apply, many peers might be in danger of losing their titles.

"In 1990 we are being asked to declare who can or cannot inherit clan chieftainships and titles that should have been abolished long ago,"she said. "The Roman emperors often adopted heirs because they were intertile. If that was good enough to run the Roman ever, this week, Mrs Maria empire, might it not be good enough to rule the clans, which matter to no one nowernment by removing the adays, least of all to the provision from the Human ordinary people of Scotland?"

Scheme for new services gives a lift to Prestwick

By Kerry Gill

THE viability of Prestwick Airport, which lost its transatlantic gateway status two months ago, was improved yesterday with the announcement of a range of oew air

Emerald Air proposes later this year to link Prestwick directly with a number of European cities, including London, Brussels and Amsterdam, it was disclosed by Mr George Younger, Conservative MP for Ayr, whose constituency includes Prest-

wick and who is deputy chairman of the Royal Bank of lines, have started flights from Sheffield to get £100m airport

A NEW airport costing £100 BAA, formerly the British

million is to be developed on a Airports Authority, has been

former industrial site in Shef- appointed to operate the air-

Europe, it was announced former industrial site in Shef-

the summer of 1993. Aircraft runway will begin in early

Sheffield is the largest city accommodation, plus termiin Europe not to have its own nal buildings, restaurants and

airport. The proposal comes shops, Mr Hugh Sykes, chair-

the independent Govern- elopment Corporation said:

ment-funded Sheffield Dev- "This is what the region's

clopment Corporation and the business community has been

Budge Mining Company. Air- waiting for. An ultra-modern

with a capacity up to 107 seats 1992.

will be able to use the airport.

which is likely to serve west-

such as Paris. Brussels and

Amsterdam.

Scotland. The airline, to be Glasgow Airport Emerald Air based in Belfast, hopes that by proposes twice-daily flights establishing a hub operation at Prestwick it can provide further business for the Ayrshire airport by attracting new transatiantic services.

The announcement is the first good news for the airport since the Government's disclosure that its monopoly on Scottish transatlantic flights was to be abandoned in favour of ao open-skies policy.

Prestwick has since been sidelined as a range of operators, including Northwest Airlines and American Air-

field's Lower Don Valley.

An industrial and commer-

one million square feet of new

maoufacturing and office

don City airport. The same aircraft will provide a daily service between Prestwick and Reykjavík, Iceland. Other services will include a twice-daily flight to Brussels via Belfast and a daily service, again through Belfast, to Amsterdam. Thrice-weekly flights linking Prestwick with Edinburgh and Stavanger, Norway, are also proposed. The poss-ibility of a route linking the

between Prestwick and Lon-

Isle of Man on three days a week is being considered. Details of the new airline, expected to be launched in November, were announced

airport with Carlisle and the

by Mr Younger at Prestwick. He said: "I believe this airline will make a contribution to the future of the airport. I have found much interest in the facilities here, particularly, at congested times. Those interested in the future of Prestwick can now look much wider than purely field, providing 3,500 jobs and port, which will be built on look much wider the linking South Yorkshire with 175 zeres of land straddling a transatlantic traffic."

Mr Younger said he was confident that road and rail The development, just three miles from the centre of the city, is scheduled to open in struction of the 1.200-metre links between the airport and would go ahead.

He said: "There are ouite a cial complex is also planned number of serious options ern European destinations for the site, provioing up to around for Prestwick, although, at present, I can say

no more than that." Mr Bill Best, Emerald's managing director, said: "Prestwick and Belfast will be after an agreement between man of Sheffield Dev- the huh zirports, and our flight will be the spokes feeding in. That is the service which has been missing from Prestwick. I cannot understand why it

Satanic Verses may be dropped

ALL-N VIELLER

By David Sapsted

PENGUIN is ready to scrap publication of a paperback edition of The Satanic Verses amid commercial concerns that the price of free speech is proving 100 high to bear, it was disclosed yesterday.

Since the Ayatollah Khomein's fatwa against the author Salman Rushdie in Fehruary last year, the ioitial surge of profits from the hardback edition of the book has been overtaken by the security costs, estimated at £2 million a year, involved in protecting the company against outraged Muslims. So far there has been a net profit from the Viking hardback edition of about £1.8 million in Britain and the US.

Insiders at Penguin said there was a substantial body of opinion within the company that would like to see it publicly dropped. One said: "There is a feeling we could get ourselves out of this mess

by announcing we were abandoning the paperback as our contribution towards freeing hostages like Terry Waite and John McCarthy."

The opposing commercial view within Penguin is that. having already spent so much on security, a new round of protests pose much less of a threat and that, if Penguin decided not to go ahead, Mr Rushdie would then be free to sell the paperback nghis to any other company.

Any move hy Penguin to cancel a paperback version would be privately welcomed hy the Government, which appears to be facing increas-ingly difficult negotiations over the release of bostages. Mr Rushdie biraself, however. is believed to be determined to see the softback edition

published. Penguin's £2 million outlay on protecting its properties and interests in Britain and overseas does not include the cost to the British taxpayer of protecting the author, who is guarded around the clock by 10 armed Special Branch officers.

The costs of policing, coupled with the need to find new 'safe" houses on a regular basis, is believed to be about £1 million a year.

As well as cootinuing Iranian outrage over the book, the domestic threat against the author has remained un-diminished. Penguin in the UK is still getting abusive or threatening letters to add lo links between the airport and the 5.000 it had already re-the central celt of Scotland ceived and this year nine Muslims have been expelled from the UK amid fears that they were plotting against Mr

> There have also been 25 homb threats against Penguin premises or bookshops selling The Satanic Verses in Britain. In America, more than 30,000 threatening or ahusive letters have been received. A spokesman for the company said yesterday that no decision on a paperback edition had been

Prince supports opera fund

By Craig Seton

THE Prince of Wales has given his support to a £50 million fund-raising project to build an opera bouse in the grounds of Compton Verney. a listed classical country house in Warwickshire.

The Prince and Princess of Wales are to attend a concert and dinner at Compton Verney today in aid of the project, which would give the region its first important opera

Sir Kenneth Bradshaw. project administrator, said the Prince had shown great interest in the scheme and in the architectural plans for the opera house, which will be designed by Henning Larsen, from Denmark, who was chosen after an international competition.

ports UK Ltd. a subsidiary of airport on its doorstep." has been blacklisted." Arts plan 'will cost more'

By Simon Tait, Arts Correspondent

cutting hureaucracy, the plan of Mr Richard Luce. Minister for the Arts, to devolve funding from the Arts Council to new regional arts boards will need more money and increase administration, according to Mr Simon Mundy, director of the National Campaign for the Arts.

The exercise was in danger of becoming no more than a "hureaucratic distraction", he said yesterday.

Mr Charles Henderson, Head of the Office of Arts and Libraries and chairman of the steering committee for the new structure, this week told the public accounts committee that the scheme would save "not more than £2 million and possibly a good deal less" on current expenditure. hut neither savings nor costs had been calculated.

The 12 regional arts associ-

the Aris Council's funding responsibility devolved to them. Recommendations made in the Wilding report last autumn, which had been calculated to save £2 million,

Mr Mundy: "Changes

FAR from saving money and ations are to become 10 were not accepted in the regional boards, with most of minister's scheme.

"Far from saving money, the proposed changes will cost a small fortune." Mr Mundy said. "The Arts Council is being instructed by the minister to transfer responsibilities from one organization to 10. That has never saved

money in the history of He said regional board officers would have to bave posts and salaries upgraded "and there will effectively be 10 mini-arts councils".

Mr Henderson's evidence had been given as the public accounts committee considered the National Audit Office report on the Office of Arts and Libraries (OALI and the Arts Council. The report remarked on wasteful overlapping of work between the OAL, the Arts Council and the

Food poisoning 'killed off' dinosaurs

By Pearce Wright Science Editor

FOOD poisoning caused the death of the dinosaurs, according to evidence form-ing the basis of the latest theory for the extinction of the largest creatures roaming the earth 65 million years ago. The poison was ingested through plants contaminated by nickel in the most devastating bout of pollution suffered by the planet.

The conclusion adds a new twist to one of the scores of ideas about how the fate of the creatures was sealed when a giant meteorite hit the planet.

Dr Thomas Wdowiak and colleagues at the University of Alabama, in the United States, have conducted experiments that, be says, show how nickel got into the food chain and contaminated plants to provide the fatal ingredient. The nickel is believed to have spread across the globe in an acrosol cloud generated when a meteorite hit the earth and vaporized. British experts are sceptical about the idea, reported in the latest issue of New Scientist. Mr Cyril Walker, of the Natural History Museum, London, says that the theory seems reasonable until one tries to reconcile the survival of crocodiles and other reptiles with the extinction of hundreds of other species. Theories involving the impact by meteorite are among the most popular gestions for the mass extinctions,

Yet those various hypotheses still depend on a two-stage effect of some sort to cause the lethal conditions, involving, firstly, a giant crater from which clouds of particles were thrown into the atmosphere to create, secondly, a veil of dust that screened the sunlight for years and brought devastating climatic change that was lethal for both flora and fauna.

Dr Wdowiak argues that nickel poisoning offers a more satisfactory explanation. His answer came unexpectedly from experiments in hydroponics, in which plants are grown in a solution of nutrient. The trials included a solution of

minerals containing extracts of meteorite fragments. Meteorite debris was tested because other work indicated that plants grow faster in lunar "soil", considered comparable to meteoritic material.

In practice, the leaves of plants grown in nutrient of meteorite origin turned brownish yellow, because they lacked chlorophyll. Analysis showed the cause to be nickel contamination. Although meteorites are known to be rich in nickel, Dr Wdowiak says that it was not appreciated that the nickel was in a water-soluble form that would enter the food chain, exceeding the concentration of 40 parts per million regarded as the maximum safe level.

He calculates that a meteorite with a diameter of about six miles, believed to have struck the earth 65 millions years ago, could have raised average levels of nickel in soil from 15 parts per million to between 130 and 1,300 parts per million.

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that nearly toppled them last year. But it A year ago, Tiananmen Square was filled each day with hundreds of thousands of demonstrators calling for a more democratic China, and the nation's media were, for the first time, responding like the media in the West. Now the casual observer is hard-pushed to find any indication of dissent.

Peking, a little cluster of graves each

bears a photograph of a young man who died on June 4 last year. China's leaders would be only too pleased if this were all

that was left of the protest movement

In fact, opposition is alive and well, but biding its time. "It's like a boxing match," a Peking resident said, 'We lost the first round, and now we're taking a breather before fighting the second

The brutality with which unarmed protests were suppressed last June has not cowed the people of Peking, but has imbued them with a sense of self-preservation. "Demonstrating now would just act as an irritant to the leaders: t would be like a fly hiting them, and they would swat the fly," one student said. In keeping with historical precedent, disA year ago today the People's Liberation Army was ordered into Peking to suppress student-led demonstrations, with martial law imposed the next day. On the anniversary Catherine Sampson finds the opposition still determined that, despite losing the battle of Tiananmen Square, it will win the war for democracy

leadership that would give them a

Inside China, there is just one man who dares to condemn the leaders in public as dictators. Hou Delian, the pop star, joined the hunger strike in Tiananmen Square and helped to negotiate the students' departure early on the morning of June 4. He took refuge in the Australian Embassy and then came out, carning his immunity from arrest by appearing on Chinese television to say that he had seen no one killed in the

He came to the mainland as a defector from Taiwan — the sort of man whom the authorities love to show off. So Mr Hou continues to speak nut, believing that the regime would be too embarrassed to arrest him. He emphasizes that

sidents are waiting for the split in the be is a singer, not a politician, and wishes someone else would take over as sole dissident. He discourages active opposition at this point, saying: "You don't pick a fight with a hig dog until you have a big stick to beat him with."

> On other issues, bis ideas are not persuasive. He believes that a civil war would be the best thing for China, since it would break central power and create a federation. Dissidents in exile, 100, advocate the creation of a federating, but do not see civil war as the best way of going about it.

> Professor Fang Lizhi - who was seen before June 4 as China's Sakharov - is still believed to be inside the US Embassy, where he and his wife took refuge last year when they were de-nounced as criminals. There is speculation that the US and China came near to

Chinese dissidents wait in wings to further fight for freedom ber, even drafting the statement Mr Fang would make, but that China drew back in fear when it saw the Romanian revolution. The United States is believed in be angry and disappointed over how little progress there has been on the case.

> Other well-known dissidents, released recently from prison, are afraid that they would be rearrested if they were to make anti-government statements in public. But it is not clear bow long these people will remain intimidated. In the future, they are likely to reappear as forces for change. One of the most significant achievements of the students last year was to take their call beyond the campuses, and to involve factory and office workers, and even government officials. Greater democracy is no longer seen simply as a student cause, but as a rallying point for the whole of society.

Students have endured hours of stultifying political re-education, and intimidation in the form of poor job allocations since June 4. But some are still active in underground organ-izations. In March, Mr Zhai Weimin, sixth on the list of 21 "most-wanted" students, emerged briefly in Peking to claim that he and other activists had set up a clandestine movement, the Democratic Front for the Salvation of China.

He claimed that it had held a meeting of 60 activists from around the country in Peking, and had formulated aims, including an end to the Communist Party's monopoly on power and the establishment of a multi-party system. It did not advocate the use of violence. Nothing more was heard of the front after Mr Zhai went back into hiding. But the official media also recently confirmed its existence. Four different student organizations signed protest posters which appeared this spring.

"People find it expremely difficult to run underground organizations because you can't trust everyone," said a Peking resident, "and if you're cautious, you end up with an organization that is so secret that even the members don't know each other."

Nor are underground organizations well-equipped, having no access to funds, and no links with the richer dissident movement in exile. Indeed, the Paris-based dissidents have had little perceptible effect on China's democracy movement. That might change if the Goddess of Democracy radio ship starts broadcasting messages of dissent to the

mainland. Most recently, two posters appeared on the campus of Peking University. One was couched in that language of the student protests, but actually echoed the Government in condemning US sanctions. The other gave the results of an opinion poll carried out by a group of graduate students, which said that the majority of students had not stopped supporting last year's movement, and would demonstrate again.

Only a few people may be involved in underground organizations, but many more found the experience of last year's demonstrations and massacre a unifying and, in some ways, liberating experience. They discovered that they were not alone in their dissatisfaction with the regime. The massacre was an agony endured together which broke the last ties of loyalty to the Communist Party.

When Mr Li Peng, the Prime Minister, said recently that the issue of the June 4 massacre was now outdated, he was perhaps indulging in wishful thinking. "In meetings, everyone spouts the government line," one man said. "But when they know they're among friends everyone in every office and every house talks of the said." talks about how awful June 4 was."

Taipei ready to end long separation from Peking

From Charles Bremner, Hong Kong

AFTER four decades of partly funded by Taiwanese animosity towards the com- interests, President Lee's Govmunist rulers of Peking, Tai- erament refused to allow it to wan is expected to announce steps today to start the long march back to reunification with the People's Republic.

expected to indicate for the Taiwan of caving in to Chi-first time the nationalist is-nese pressure. Although the · land's recognition of the authority of the Peking govern-ment, long deemed a "bandit organization" by the nationallists, and announce the dismantling of a longstanding emergency decree that restricts contacts between the

Mr Lee's statement, in his this week to hold talks on promise. bridging the chasm created by the enmity between Mao Tsetung and General Chiang Kai-Shek, the leader of the

Knomintang party. ... In another gesture towards the communist Government, Taipei has effectively scuttled the Goddess of Democracy, the French-chartered radio ship which aimed to broadcast . dissident news to the People's stance Republic. Although it allowed the vessel to dock in the port of Keeling and the project was

25 killed in Manila air crash

Manila - A twin-engine Philippines plane crashed and exploded into a fireball in a Manila residential suburb yesterday, killing all 21 people aboard and hurning to death a family of four inside their home, officials said.

The propeller-driven Beechcraft 1900 aircraft went into a spin as it fell. The nose crashed into the main bedroom of a house leased by a Japanese husinessman, engulfing it in flames and scattering debris and bodies over a wide area.

The plane, on a flight to the southern city of Surigao. crashed at 6 am after one of its engines stalled minutes after take-off from Manila, investigators said. (Retuer)

Deal over boat people in doubt

AN international agreement on the Vietnamese boat people appeared to be close to collapse as a key meeting of diplomats in Manila drew towards an inconclusive end (Andrew McEwen writes).

· Vietnam's neighbours, exasperated after nearly a year of wrangling between the United States, Britain and Vietnam, have started to break out of the comprehensive plan of action, which was negotiated by 29 nations in Geneva last June. Hong Kong and six other countries warned that they "reserved the right" to stop providing temporary reftige if no solution was found.

Britain names new UN envoy

SIR David Hannay, Britain's ambassador to the European Community, is 10 become ambassador to the United :Nations in September, it was announced yesterday (Andrew

McEwen writes). He succeeds Sir Crispin Tickell, who is probably Britain's best-known diplomat because of his knowledge of environmental affairs. Sir Crispin is retiring at 60 and is likely to take up an academic post. Sir David. aged 54, will be succeeded in Brussels by Mr John Kerr, at present assistant under-secretary at the Foreign Office.

take on board the transmitter with which it planned to broadcast. Mr Nicholas Druze, the head of the "Boat President Lee Teng Hui is for China" venture, accused project was now bogged down

Japan, said Mr Druze. Peking infuriated old-guard Kuomintang leaders, who priabandoning the party's three inauguration address, follows cardinal nos" - No Contact, his surprise offer to Peking No Negotiatons, No Com-

> surprise. The most senior leader in charge of Taiwan affairs is President Yang Shangkun, who is now touring Latin America. In an opening volley in what will be a long negotiating match, a Foreign Ministry spokesman rejected the proposal out of hand and

back for what it considers its renegade province is the route ing reversal for the old

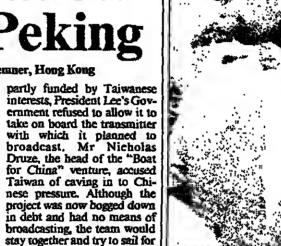
nationalists However far apart are the demands of the two Chinas, it is clear that both consider rapprochement is to their advantage in the interests of ending the anomaly of two states claiming legitimacy and nf promoting the commercial ties that are already beginning

For the ageing Peking leadership, bringing Taiwan back into the fold in some form presents an attractive goal, especially in light of the quarantine imposed on it by the Western world following

if they worked together," said Mr C. V. Chen, an adviser to

Taiwan, a country of 20

favour independence for the island republic, but he has since made clear that he sees Taiwan's future as being inextricably bound to that of the mainland. He has pushed for political reform, released political prisoners and persuaded legislators elected in the mainland in the 1940s, to retire.



President Lee's offer to vately denounced him for

The offer caught Peking by

This holds that the only way of "one country, two systems". Mr Lee's framework envisages treating talks on the principle of "One China, two governments". While that notion will not be acceptable to Peking, it represents a wrench-

to flourish between them.

the June 4 massacres.
"Mainland China and Tai-

wan would benefit each other the Taipei Government. "If China modernizes, there is a chance for the mainland and Taiwan to be reunified."

million people, took its first steps on the long march back in 1987 when it relaxed martial law. Mr Lee, the first Taiwan-born President succeeded the late President Chiang Ching-kuo in 1988. He was initially believed to



Press-ganged Burmese used as 'minesweepers'

From James Pringle, Maeletta, Burma

of a man with his wrists bound together behind his back.

Burma's ruthless military rulers have become so desperate in pursuing their war against ethnic minorities and Rurmese rebel students along the frontier with Thailand that they are now press-ganging ordinary Burmese citizens 10 act as porters and human minesweepers in the border regions. According to Burmese who have escaped, these journeys are little better than death marches.

Those who resist, or are too weak to carry ammuniting and rice, or to bear wounded Burmese soldiers on makeshift stretchers, are knocked in backs and are tossed into rivers.

The beautiful Salween river here is polluted with the dead are ordinary Burmese. as the military-run State Law

months in Burma said yes-

terday he saw evidence that torture, including electric

shocks and beatings, was rou-

tinely used on prisoners there.

physicist from London, had

been found guilty of entering

the country without a visa and

violating foreign exchange

Mr Key, who was held in

the towns of Maungdaw and

Sittwe, was deported from

regulations.

Mr Paul Key, aged 45, a

THEY were singing Baptist cil, which rules Burma at the they are still alive when they hymns in a little wooden behest of the military strong are kicked into the water," church on the hillside here, man, General Ne Win, tries to while in the river below there suppress the minorities and floated a grisly reminder of the the students in the run-up to vicious war being fought along elections on May 27, Few Burma's waters — the corpse foreign diplomats in Kangoon believe that the polls will be fair as leading opposition candidates are in jail or under

As I arrived by long boat in Maeletta, while the Christian Karen inhabitants sane hymns at morning service, the body of a man with his arms tied behind his back floated past in the river. Villagers say it is a familiar sight here. Talks with a dozen press-

ganged Burmese porters who have fled to Maeletta - the lucky ones who escaped alive - reveal the extent of the repressinn in Burma in areas outside the capital where no foreigners, including dip-Inmats accredited to Rangoon, the ground, smashed with rifle can now go. Most of those butts, kicked, then have their press-ganged have had no arms pinned behind their connection with pro-democracy demonstrations, bloodily suppressed in September, 1988, they say. The majnrity

"Sometimes they shoot and Order Restoration Countier them first, but at other times

Briton claims torture

routinely used in jail

are kicked into the water," said U Khin Maung Twe, a tailor, ased 33, referring to the dead man in the river.

He was Burmese and he was part in pro-democracy demonstrations - and this may be one reason he was picked up by police in Kyaikto, a coastal town east of Rangoon last month. After spending a night in the cells, he was handed over to the Army, transported to the foot of the Dawna mountains, then given a dozen 62mm mortar shells to carry. He said he had not been permitted to say goodbye to his wife and children.

"We porters walked far four days up and down mountains with nur heavy loads, and all nf us were exhuasted," he said. "We had not enough to eat just a Carnatian tin of milk a day - and we were too weak to carry our hurdens. Those who tried to rest were beaten and kicked."

There were about 200 porters for the 300 soldiers in the battalinn he was with, which was seeking to attack Karen bases. Six of his fellow porters, all ethnic Burmese, made a break for it at dusk one evening, jumping into the Salween river in swim to the other side. "The soldiers just opened fire on them in the water, shooting them in the back," he said. "I watched five of my friends die, nnly one A BRITON detained for three Maungdaw, near the Banglaescaped to the other side."

deshi border, he saw one A few nights later U Khin prisoner in a state of acute made his nwn hid far freedom. shock after interrogation hy military intelligence personescaping just after dusk. He managed to swim across the nel. The man, aged 20, had river, and met up hy chance electrode hurn marks on his with the other surviving esback and said he was given capee. Together they walked shocks to his head and body. two days to this Karen village. Meanwhile, 34 Burmese

"The soldiers told us the opposition leaders have been Karens would kill us, but we arrested since late last month, were willing to take the risk," state-run Rangoon radio rehe said. "Anything was better ported. They included mem- than bearing the bearings and bers of leading opposition the abuse from the soldiers." Burma to Thailand on May 4. groups, the Democracy Party Although he was well treated, for a New Society, the Uninn He said the Karens had treated them well and alhe said he witnessed daily of National Democratic Parthough they did not have beatings of other prisoners ues, and the National League much food for themselves, they shared it.

Bush veto threat on weapons Bill

From Susan Ellicott, Washington

THE Bush Administration, want to conclude a broad despite efforts to achieve a range of arms agreements at global ban on chemical weap-their summit this month, Senate Bill that would impose sanctions on countries and firms that break international Senators voted 92-O late on

Thursday for the legislation despite knowing that President Bush will probably veto it because he prefers a law passed by the House of Representatives which gives him more flexibility. The Administration has proposed deep cuts in its own and Soviet violation of international law, stockpiles of chemical weap- The Bill also prohibits such ons in order to put greater nations from exporting goods pressure on smaller nations to

abolish theirs. Congress introduced the legislation after reports last year that Iraq used chemical weapons against its minority Kurdish community, President Saddam Hussein of Iraq has also said he would use chemical weapons in response to a nuclear attack from Israel.

ons, is threatening to veto a including cuts in their stock piles of chemical weapons. US lawmakers said they were disturbed after reports about loping countries were making increasing use of chemical weapons. The Senate Bill would force President Bush to end Ameri-

can aid, credit guarantees and arms exports to countries found using biological weapons against their citizens or in The Bill also prohibits such to, and landing aircraft in, the United States. For reasons of naonnal security, the President could waive the sanc-

tions for up to one year. Companies or individuals discovered to be helping their country procure chemical weapons would be barred by the Senate Bill from exporting to America or receiving gov-



medical college which gave her an honorary degree

Teenager convicted over US race hate killing New York

A JURY has found a white man, aged 19, guilty of murder in the killing of a black teenager in Bensonhurst, the scene of the most serious nf a recent spate of racial confrontations in the city of New

Joseph Fama, of Brooklyn, accused of pulling the trigger in the killing of Yusuf Hawkins, aged 16, faces a maximum sentence of 25 years to

life in prison. Hawkins and three friends were going to look at a car that was for sale when they were attacked by a gang of whites on August 23 in the predominantly white Bensonhurst sec-

tion of New York. Mrs Tonya Bailey, the jury forewoman, delivered the verdict after 10 days of deliberations. The verdict, the first conviction in the case, was greeted with shouts outside the courtroom hy Hawkins' family and supporters.

Mr David Dinkins, New York's first black Mayor, said in a statement that the guilty verdict "allows us to turn our attention to the process of healing. Yusuf Hawkins died of racism ... That is a crime of us are willing to admit."

Fama was found guilty on 13 of 15 counts, including murder by depraved indifference to human life, riot, unlawful imprisnament. menacing, discrimination and criminal possession of a

wcapon. The defendant was acquitted of intentional murder the equivalent in serinusness of the depraved indifference charge.

A second jury considering charges against his co-defen-dant, Mr Keith Mnndello. aged 19, who was tried in the same courtroom as Fama, ended its deliberations on Thursday without reaching a verdict.

Prosecutors allege that Mr Mondello assembled a gang of 30 or mare of his friends because he feared 25 black and Hispanic friends of a girl from the district, Miss Gina Feliciano, were coming to beat him uo.

When Hawkins and his .ends appeared on the street. the whites apparently mistook them for outside troublemakers. Several of the batwielding whites surrounded Hawkins and pinned him down in a doorway, prosecutors said. Fama then pulled an automatic pistol and fired four shnts.

Mrs Bailey, the jury forewoman, said she did not feel the evidence supported the prosecution's claim that Fama was the shooter. "I personally had decided that he was the shooter but there was not enough evidence according to the law for me to convict him of that.

Mrs Bailey, a college professor, said the deliberations took so long because "we examined every single aspect of the law . We had differences of opinion in how we interpreted

Smuggling dispute adds to Hong Kong jitters over China

From Charles Bremner Hong Kong

TO THE Hong Kong police it looked like a sting operation. Undercover officers arranged a deal to smuggle three Mercedes Benz cars to China and arrest the buyers when they took delivery. Things fell apart, however, when the police found themselves looking down the gun-barrels of the cars' recipients who, it turned out, were also police officers - of the

People's Republic. Now, the Chinese and Hong Kong authorities are trying to defuse what has become known as the Mercedes affair, a row that has added to the severe local jitters over China's future rule here and According to a detailed account

and saw evidence of torture. for Democracy. (AP.AFP)

given to the local legislature by the colony's security chief on Wednesday, two policemen pretending to be smugglers chartered a lighter and crew of five to deliver the cars. While still in Hong Kong waters, they met their mainland partners on May 2 and handed over the vehicles. The buyers then reappeared in uniform and Chinese forces detained the lighter, its tug and all aboard. After frantic exchanges between Mr William Erhman, the Hong Kong political adviser, and his counterpart at the local Chinese mission, the two police officers were released the

helped drive stock prices further next day, but the crew and their Chinese behaviour intensified down. Chinese behaviour intensified when the security chief revealed

The Chinese deny the seizure took place in Hong Kong waters and are accusing the crew of smuggling. Hnwever, after the Hong Kong Government produced photographs this week, the Chinese version has softened. Mr Ye Xuanping, the Governor of Guangdong, the neighbouring province, said yesterday he hoped a joint account might soon be released. "They son of did a double take and squirmed when they were shown the photographs," a British official said. "But they're never going to admit it was officials smuggling."

submitting to intimidation by Yesterday, the South China Morning Post said it was clear that "Chinese security officials were caught in the act of smuggling luxury cars to the mainland for the use of elite buyers and were prepared to use force to make their escape across the border". The newspaper warned that "if the matter is settled behind closed Alarm in Hong Kong over the

the public mind that face has been saved ... only by an agreement to that Chinese vessels had tried to fudge the facts. Once again, truth enforce jurisdiction in Hong Kong will be the first casualty, with waters no fewer than 82 times since confidence in the future China-1988. The incident has heightened a widespread belief that the British Hong Kong Special Administrative Region not far behind." and Hong Kong authorities are However, members of the leg-

islature called for officials on both sides to resolve the affair "with a low-key approach". According to intelligence reports quoted in the press yesterday, the three cars were intended as "gifts" for high-ranking officials in Guangdong.

The police say the supply of luxuries to communist officials has swollen into a huge industry. One bank account seized this year

doors, the suspicion will remain in showed a single operation netting \$5.13 million. Astronomical sums are said to be made from shipping cars, electronics and whisky into China and bringing back antiques, guns and ammunition in payment. The Mercedes deal was a relatively rare one, according to police. Normally, the smugglers prefer Japanese cars of types commonly used by officials in China.

"Chinese officials from different security departments are all vying to protect their investments," the Far Eastern Economic Review reported recently. This has led to clashes in Hong Kong waters and between members of Triad gangs: which dominate organized crime in

Kohl hails German 'birth hour' as pact on Mark is signed

modern German nation.

paid credits of DM 7 hillion

In return for being able to

has undertaken to repeal all

posed to create a planned

social economy. This will

allow West German invest-

that it can make a handsome

finance ministers of the two Germanies yesterday signed Christian Democrat who likes the treaty marking the first to think of himself as Adeand most purposeful step in nauer's political grandson, the peaceful reunification of wanted to show that the first their countries. treaty on union was a direct descendant of the Basic Law

Presiding at what he called "the hirth hour of a free that Adenauer turned into the Germany" was Herr Helmut Kohl, the West German Chancellor, doubling as midwife and godfather of the treaty on the Bundesbank will take over economic, currency and social union that will introduce the powerful Deutschmark as the only coinage of both countries hudget deficit of DM 33 bil-

from July 2. lion this year (£11.87 hillion),
The Chancellor's voice shook with emotion as he 1991. Against this it is to be spoke of "the realization of the dream of German and Euro- this year and DM 10 billion pean unity". Dwarfing Herr next year. Lothar de Maizière, his dimin- In retui utive East German counter-part, in size and confidence, Herr Kohl seemed aware that from July 2, East Germany he was in large measure responsible for having made the legislation that was suppossible "this historic hour in the life of the German

He had chosen the cabinet ment to pour in, confident room in what was the old

AT THE desk in the graceful become a kind of shrine to the meant to limit the amount of Palais Schaumberg where first and, to date, most ven-Konrad Adenauer worked, the erated of West Germany's construct the rundown Chancellors. Herr Kohl, a infrastructure. As part of what Herr Kohl

frequently referred to yes-terday as the solidarity of the German people, the West German Government yesterday drew up a second supple-mentary hudget of DM 2.75 billion to provide initial funddemocratic foundation of the ing for the pensions and inevitable unemployment benefits that will be needed as the free market economy the running of the bankrupt "shakes out" unproductive workers.

The economic details of the treaty, however, were less important to Herr Kohl than the historic opportunity to put an end to all the sorrows of the past century. He had earlier recognized the role Germany had played in provoking those sorrows. In compensation he now urged that the German people, united in freedom, "should serve in a united Europe for the peace of the

crats (SPD). For Herr de Maizière, the day was "important" rather than historic. The treaty itself represented a compromise, he Chancelleryfor the ceremony. profit by developing the other said, but it was still a good, many a starting position that Unused since 1976, it has half of the country. It is also solid guide for creating "an no other East European state

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ecologically orientated social market economy". Member of the Christian Democrats (CDU) though he is, Herr de Maizière appeared to pick this phrase from the programme of the opposition Social Demo-

He admitted that being taken over by the Deutschmark economy gave East Ger-

would enjoy: "We stand be-fore an important, once-in-alifetime opportunity. We want that opportunity to use freedom, peace and social justice in the service of Europe."

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Herr Theodor Waigel, the West German Finance Minister, was first to sign the 33-page treaty followed by Herr Walter Romberg, his East Genman counterpart.

month, the Volkskammer will Between now and late June. treaty, but there is expected to confident onthing can stop it.

ing the legislation needed to

Herr Romberg, left, and Herr Waigel signing the treaty as Herr de Maizière, second left, and Herr Kohl look on the Volkskammer is likely to be no difficulty in winning the necessary support from twobe busy drafting and redraftthirds of the members.

> introduce a free market econ-The Bundestag members. omy. Since the members are who must ratify the treaty by a now to be paid DM 5,900 monthly (£2,122) they will simple majority, will be coming back for a special session probably not mind the extra during their holidays on June 23 to do so. The SPD is still complaining that it does not Towards the end of next like many of the terms of the be called upon to ratify the treaty, but the Chancellor is

> > Push for

party to

quit poll in Prague

From Peter Green

Prague

THE Czechoslovak election campaign took on strident

anti-communist overtones vesterday as four leading political parties called for the Communists either to withdraw from the polls or to be

In a related development,

Civil Forum yesterday suggested that members of the former secret police, the STB.

were preparing a disinforma-

tion campaign to disrupt parliamentary elections scheduled for June 8 and 9.

The parties accused the Communists of "aiming to seize power anew", and said that their activities were "en-

dangeriag Czechoslovakia's

Party, all of which are trailing Civil Forum in the polls. In a front-page reply yes-

terday, the Communist newspaper, Rude Prevo, called the

demand for the party to be

banned a "cheap" pre-election

trick, "The rehirth of the

Communist Party into a legiti-

mate political force of the left

is a long and painful process for many of its members," the

It proceeded to tar its

opponents with their own

hrush, accusing them of kow-

towing to the Communists'

for four decades part of the

now-destroyed totalitarian

system, and brought to it

willingly or unwillingly the

Meanwhile, Civil Forum's

required sacrificial offerings."

leader, Mr Jan Urban, said dozens of members of the STB

had been dismissed from the

Interior Minstry in the past 48 hours, and suggested that they were behind an extensive dis-

"Even the Socialist Party and the People's Party were

totalitarian regime.

daily said.

The statement was made by

fragile democracy".

People's Party Democrats, the Socialist Party and the Slovak Democratic Nuclear talks make progress

MR James Baker, the US Secretary of State, said yesterday that he had made progress in five hours of talks with President Gorbachov on a freaty to cut superpower arsenais of long-range nuclear weapons.

We made some progress on Start (Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty)." Mr Baker told reporters after the meeting, which ran 21: hours over schedule.

His statement, by far the most optimistic to emerge from either side in weeks, left a clear impression that the soperpowers now stood a good chance of being able to announce an ootline agreement when Presidents Gorbachov and Bush meet in Washington on May 30. "I'll be having a full-blown press conference tomorrow and I'll be glad to go into a lot more detail at that time." Mr Baker said.

Before the meeting began President Gorbachov said he did not know if it would be possible to meet his and President Bush's declared goal of announcing an agreement in principle at the Washington summit. "We are doing our besi to make sure we agree. We have to do this together. I think we are moving closer."

Start was originally designed to cut superpower arsenals of strategic missiles by 50 per cent. However, exceptions have been written into the treaty that will make the real cuts more in the range

of 30 to 35 per cent.

Mr Baker said teams of negotiators led by him and Mr Shevardnadzc would meet again later yesterday, "We still have a number of issues that are still out there, and we're

going to meet again," he said. Asked if the goal of announcing agreement at the summit could be met, Mr Baker said: "We keep hoping that we can accomplish thought the considered Bush would like the consequences of the same part like to see agreement on the major substantive issues and so would President Gorba-chov." Broad agreement on Start was clearly intended to crown the summit. Failure to achieve that would be bound to be interpreted as a setback in relations.

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Walesa plea ends strike at shipyard

MR LECH Walesa, the leader of Solidarity, ended a strike by Gdansk shipyard workers yesterday, telling them worker "anarchy" would damage Po-

land's image abroad. Solidarity sources said almost all of the shipyard's 7,200 workers downed tools on the morning shift to protest against low pay and allegedly unfair distribution of planned wage increases. They returned to work almost four hours later after Mr Walesa told them Solidarity leaders would

negotiate on their behalf. "If you behave in such an anarchic way, the world which wants to help Poland will turn its hack on us instead," Mr Walesa told a rally of some 3.000 workers.

The strike ended as a Labour Ministry spokesman announced unemployment in Poland was climbing faster than the Government expected. He said yesterday that 398,526 people, 2.96 per cent

information campaign aimed at disrupting the elections. He of the workforce, were regsaid it was unlikely that foreign sources were involved. istered as johless on May 15. (Rewer) Guerrillas suspend fight

A FACTION of the Maoist guerrilla movement, Shining Path, announced yesterday that it would "temporarily withdraw" from armed actions in its 10-year-old war to overthrow the Peruvian Government (Corinne Schmidt writes). The announcement came in leaflets left on the streets of the Andean city of Ayacucho. The "Ayacucho Base" of the organization announced the temporary ceasefire in order "to evaluate ten years of struggle", criticizing the killings of workers and peasants, but declaring that the ideological struggle would

Lebanese held

Tyre - The South Lebanese Army, Israel's proxy militia, has arrested five Lebanese Christians in connection with the assassination in March of Mr William Robinson, an American missionary. (AFP)

Aquino warned

Manila - The United States warned President Aquino that it could pull out of its military facilities in the Philippines unless Manila based its alliance with Washington on more than money. (Reuter)

Shamir plea

Jerusaiem – Mr Yitzhak Shamir, the transitional Islaeli the Likud party, has asked for a further three weeks in which to form a government.

Demands met

Abidian - The Ivory Coast Government agreed to meet the demands of conscripts who took over the airport and TV on Wednesday before returning to barracks. (AFP)

Careless talk

Lubbock, Texas - Mr Otto Lucas, aged 21, the son of a former Panamanian President has been found not guilty of threatening to kill President Bush while talking in a pawn shop, where he was looking at a gun. (AFP)

Killer executed

Angola, Louisiana - Dalton Prejean, aged 30, who fought to escape death on grounds Prime Minister and leader of that he was a mentally retarded teenager when he committed murder, was executed by electric chair. (AFP)



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Budding democracy: Carrying a rose, Mr Ion Iliescu, the interim Romanian President, meets a television director as he is escorted into a Bucharest studio for a live broadcast with his three leading election rivals

Demonstrators sceptical over freedom's dawn

From Christopher Walker, Bucharest

Anca Finichiu has spent much of the bitter three-week elec-

At 3 am today she was still there, sitting proudly in a portable canvas chair with her daughter, Ioana, aged 14, shar-ing a picnic and vowing that she and her fellow protesters would never leave until "we are convinced that a true and not a pretend democracy has the protest if, as widely exestablished io

The number of protesters willing to sleep rough to guard a barricaded zone declared as "free of neo-communism" was 10 times greater than oo attack and have vowed to any night since the marathoo Protest first began oo April 22. The Front are cowards. We do not believe they will dare to move us away because the whole world now knows that we are here, said Mrs Finichiu, who still speeds her days working at a draughtsman's office where former friends refuse to speak to her because of her views. "They think that after the election we will just fade away. That is not true. I believe that even more people will come here."

A matronly woman she cuts an unlikely figure for a demdaughter because I want her to

ther does not take our copies

or only a small amount of them", Mr Netea added,

pointing to stacks of oews-

papers several days old which,

he claimed, had not been

picked up. Similar complaints have

been made daily during the campaign about the Front's crude manipulation of its

control of Romanian tele-

vision, which since the revolu-

tion has played a central role

in the lives of most citizens.

three minntes to tell their

story from scripts held in their

hands," said Mr Bacanu,

Mr Iliescu could grin oo the

"Representatives of the

LIKE thousands of other dis- understand the real history of illusioned Romanians, Mrs Romania's past and present, she said.

Her daughter Ioana said tion campaign demonstrating that at her high school the against the ruling National teachers tell pupils that those Salvation Front and the Com- hlocking the area now rethat at her high school the teachers tell pupils that those munist records of most of its named "Liberty Square" were leaders. right-wing parties opposing the Front. I now know that was a lie, that the people out here are people of conscience who are not paid by any-body," she said.

To prevent the Front using the security forces to break up poll, the demonstrators have applied to the United Nations for protection. They have established an early warning system to alert them to police return again and again if at any stage, the area - now completely blocked to traffic is cleared.

Many, like Mrs Finichiu, have suffered repeated personal threats. Their protest is illegal under a decree preventing any form of political meeting on polling day and for 48 hours preceding it.

"The telephone rings at home with threats from voices that my family know belong to former members of the Securitate," she said. "They say that I will be killed if I go on protesting. They are using the same tactics that Ceausescu used against the Roma-

nian people."

All around, small groups
were warming themselves by burning paper. A self-ap-pointed vigilante was trying to ensure sanitation, preventing the drinking or sale of alcohol and even, according to one member "ensuring moral order among the men and women sleeping rough".

"I was here on December 21 at 11,30 pm when the students faced up to the dictator and the mood of determination was very similar," said Mr Alexandris Stefan, aged 31, a bearded computer engineer. We do not hate the Front as we hated Ceausescu, but we hate that it stands for keeping us in communist chains. Why should we give up and go away after the election? Things will be even worse then if the Front wins and we are all certain that it will as it has anaged to dupe the workers into backing it."

This remark indicates that the split between Romanian students and workers, whose ad hoc and short-lived alliance made the revolution succeed.

may make the country virtually ungovernable. **Milestones**

Dec 15 - Timisoara parishioners cordon house of dissident Rev Laszlo Tokes. Dec 16 - Clashes between Timisoara demonstrators and militia and Securitate. Dec 17 - Ceausescu orders

ruthless repression of protests.

Dec 21 - Ceausescu booed at rally. Protesters clash with troops. "River of blood" in Bucharest. Dec 22 - Army changes sides.

Ceausescu flees. National Salvatioo Front takes power. Dec 25 - Ceausescu and wife Dec 26 - National Peasant

Party outlawed; decree is revoked days later.

dent Dumitru Mazilu resigns. Jan 27 — Four associates of Ceausescu sentenced to life. Jan 30 - Front supporters besiege opposition party headquarters.

Feb 13 - Provisional parliament confirms Ion Riescu

ation of Defence Minister. Feb 18 - Protesters ransack Mar I — General Gica Popa, who condemned Ceausescu 10 Mar 20 - Three people are killed and 226 wounded in Tirgu Mures.

ael refused entry. Apr 22 - Several hundred demonstrate in Eucharest accusing Government of being

Observers 'too late' to monitor intimidation

From Christopher Walker, Bucharest

A SENIOR Western official who will be based in invited to Romania yesterday Timisoara. to monitor tomorrow's electioo said that the observers had arrived too late to assess the fairness of a campaign dominated by allegations of intimidation, and are too few to judge a vote being con-ducted in 13,000 polling

The observer, who asked that his identity should not be disclosed, was a British member of the 60-strong delegation organized jointly by Democrat and Republican institutes in the United States. Its mem-bers from 19 countries were among 260 observers reg-istered by noon yesterday to exercise that was not conoversee an electorate of almost 16 million.

Co-leaders of the group, which yesterday formally met Mr lon lliescu, the interim President, are Mr Roy Hattersley, the deputy leader of the Labour Party, Senator Joseph Lieberman, and the former senator and American astronaut, Mr Harrison Schmitt

Other British political personalities who will be observing the poll in different capacities include Dr Ian Paisley, of the Democratic Unionist Party, and Mrs Edwina Currie, the Conservative MP

Cluj tests computers for poll without hitches

From Tim Judah

TECHNICALLY, tomorrow's Romanian elections should be free and fair. Preparations for the ballot are under way and few complaints have been heard about them - as op-posed to the general conduct

In the typical rural seat of Cluj, in Transylvania, the nerve centre of the elections will be the town hall computer room. Specialists have been running test programs through their new machines io readiness for the count. So far there have been no problems.

Mr Traian Ranga, Mayor of Cluj, said that so far the schedule for the prepara-tion for the elections had goos without a hitch. Each of Clui county's 382 polling stations would be guarded outside by police, soldiers and civilian national guards, but they would not be allowed inside. Meanwhile, at Cluj polling statioo number 63, Mr Alexandru Pavel was checking the oames of those coming in, to verify that they were on the

electoral roll. An old man came io to confirm that he and his wife were on the list. She had "holnay" written against her name. This meant that she was sick, io her case actually paralysed, and that a ballot box would be sent to her

home. For those who can vote normally, polling station 63 is almost complete, with light blue doors which can be locked from the inside. Each voter will be given three A4-size booklets. The oue to vote for President is straightforward: it has only three names in it. However, to vote for deputies the voters must must leaf through a booklet comprising six pages of political parties, and for the

senate five pages. Mr Radu Borda, a member of the National Liberal Party, who is also on the local electoral board, said he did not think that the voting booklets were too complicated, as examples would be posted up in the polling stations telling people what to do. He said that in Cluj there had been no problems preparing for the elections, and only "minor" ones in the

countryside. Meanwhile, preparations for foreign observers are also well under way. Miss Ann Bradley from the National Republican Institute for International Affairs in Washington said that she was in Chij to co-ordinate the activities of the six foreign observers who would come here. She said: "They will be put in three cars and not told where they are going." That would be decided by the foreign observers' own co-ordinating

Mr Ioan Pop, chairman oi the county's electoral board. added: "We will be putting all our resources at their disposal - but of course they will have

Controversy has dogged the campaign from the start, with right-wing and ceotre-right opposition parties presenting detailed lists of alleged vi-

ducted properly at all."

olence and intimidation by supporters of the Front, which has been accused of manipula-ting the media. Already the cooduct of the campaign has been sharply criticized by the US and British governments. Vitally needed foreign aid from both Washington and the European Community is understood to be conditional on the observer teams giving their stamp of approval to the conduct of the poll.

some 300 polling stations

scattered around the country.

The task facing the observ-ers has been further com-plicated by the complexity of voting procedures, in a country which has had no experience of a freely conducted poll for over 50 years. With 72 parties competing, many of them little more than offshoots of the Front, the voting booklet handed out to voters in the Bucharest region will be

38 pages thick. In a country obsessed by security, where informing for the Securitate was until recently a way of life for some 700,000 citizens, attempts have been made to ensure anooymity. Instead of using a pen, voters will use a specially provided rubber stamp, which could be re-used on a wide scale if fraud is being

attempted. The closing stages of the campaign saw allegations that outdated lists of voters had been used.

Voters will be choosing a new president from three candidates. Mr Iliescu has emerged as clear favourite. If no one secures 51 per cent of the total, there will be a re-run among the two frootrunners. The voters will also be electing a House of Deputies and a

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Iliescu set to consolidate power but bitter campaign leaves a legacy of instability From Our Special Correspondent, Bucharest press distributor regularly ei-

result to be announced next week will be unable to heal divisions which have made the country the most unstable

in Eastern Europe. Opponents of the National Salvation Front have demanded from the outset of the bitter and violent campaign, that all former Communist Party activists be excluded the main industrial plants. interim President, has successfully stone-walled on the demand of thousands of

demonstrators. Mr lliescu, who has a commanding lead in all the opinion polis, has done little to disguise his communist roots. Eveo during the oowhistoric television broadcast last December, when he anoounced the arrest of Nicolae Ceausescu, he addressed his fellow revolutionaries as

"comrades". He joined the Unioo of Young Commuoists at the age of 14, was educated in Mosyears was a oon-voting member of Ceausescu's Polithuro. He was also a full member of the Central Committee, While such a past has infuriated students and intellectuals who make up the majority of supporters of the main oppo-

Campaigning in Romania's workers who form the bulk of first free election since 1937 the Front's supporters and are ended on the same sour note expected to turn out in large on which it began, leaving numbers when polling begins observers convinced that the in 13,000 stations on Sunday

morning. The Front, an ad hoc collection of old communists, military men and intellectuals (some of whom have since resigned in disillusion), which took control last Describer, has consolidated its position by taking over the old Communist Party structure in all

Mr Hieron hos years. But Mr Ion Iliescu, the ceeded in deepening the divide in Romanian society by satisfying the basic needs of ordinary citizens, such as food, heat and light, which were denied by the paranoid dictator. At the same time, he has refused to ease the central control as his intellectual opponents have been demanding.

"The point about this electioo is that it was never fought fairly from the outset," explained an official from the National Peasant Party, the most right-wing opposition group. "The Front had a grip on the central organs of cow for five years, and for 10 information, and never let them go. I hope that the international observers will look into that, as well as watching how fairly votes are counted."

His complaint was supported by the Washingtonsition parties, it has done little Group, which made a fact- the Government, especially to disturb the blue-collar finding tour last month and those of the opposition parties deliver the paper country will go on fighting it."



Electoral outsiders: Mr Radn Campeanu, Liberal

leader, and Mr Ion Ratio of the Peasant Party have reinforced the Bush Administration's deep scepticism about a poll whose results will dictate the leadership of the country for the next sold."

two years. The group claimed that the Front's advantages were "amplified by the Government's cootrol of television, printing presses and newsprint, distribution of national and opposition print media, international communications networks, and air and ground transport".

The rights group, one of the few to have made an in-depth study of the hizarre political legacy left by Ceausescu's 24year rule, added: "There are widespread complaints that based Human Rights Law the oewspapers distributed by

whose report is understood to and certain independent papers, often fail to reach their destination, are not delivered promptly or are returned when they could have been

> of the 4,000-member Independent Journalists' Union and one of the panel which publishes Romania Libera. snorted derisively when asked if readers in the provinces were getting their copies.
>
> People on the trains simply throw them off," he alleged.

echoing a complaiot repeatedly voiced to foreign correspondents by frustrated voters. screen all day, and oobody at the television would mind."

Mr Petre Bacanu, president Mr Netca, the manager of

Viitorul, the centre-right National Liberal Party's newspaper, was more outspoken. He elaimed that state-controlled haulage companies were in the hands of "neocommunists and Froot supporters" who refused to

Student anger over the campaign, which this week has erupted into illegal marches through Bucharest of a type oot seeo for mooths, has ensured that many of the on road to revolutionaries who fought on democracy the harricades against Ceausescu's tanks will dismiss the results.

"If the Front wins, and most people assume they will, the country will be in a hig mess," claimed a science graduate, joining the demonstration. "People think we will just melt away, hut that is not true. Those like us who fear that Gorbachov-style reformed communism is taking over the

BUCHAREST NOTEBOOK by Christopher Walker

Roulette on the cards in Ceausescu's palatial folly

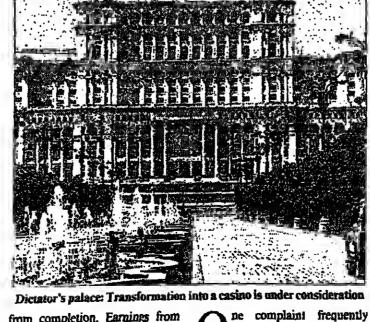
ive months after the over-throw of Nicolae Ceausescu, oo final decision has yet beeo taken about the future of the unfinished, 17-storey, 450-room palace he was building for himself and Communist Party cronics in the centre of Bucharest.

A oumber of ideas for its future have been floated, ranging from Ceausescu-style destruction by hulldozers to conversion into the headquarters of some body attached to the United Nations or other international organization.

The latest plan being mooted in the upper ranks of the ruling National Salvation Front is to coovers the huilding ioto a giant casino, and invitations have been sent out to a consortium of Hong Kong investors with an eye to their taking over the premises. They are due to make a reconnaissance trip

"It would be the biggest casino in the former communist world," explained one Front official, who added that a final decision would not be taken uotil after tomorrow's election. If the plan is approved by the Hong Kong entrepreneurs, neighbouring flats once intended to house senior Commuoist of ficials and Securitate agents would be converted for use by the international high-rollers the casino would aim to attract.

The deceptively named "Palace of the Republic" took a team of 17,000 workmen eight years to build and is still some nine mooths



from completion. Earnings from

gambling in hard currency are seen by Romanian Treasury officials as one possible escape route from the country's dire economic plight. Other plans put forward, and

rejected, have been to convert the grotesque, Stalio Gothic structure into a national museum or a university. Many ordinary Romanians find its dominance of the skyline obscene and would prefer it flattened. "It is an exact replica of the system itself," one said after a recent visit. "Nothing more than an overdone façade, totally devoid

voiced by opposition politicians is that officials who flourished under Ceausescu are still to the forefront of national life. My own limited experience tends to support them. One journalist who was my round-the-clock minder during a pre-revolutionary visit in 1987 is now a senior figure in the journalists' union, while the former press attaché in Romania's Moscow embassy - who did his best to prevent Western journalists getting visas - is now the backslapping deputy director of the election press office . . .

mong the more hizarre reaches of Ceausescu's paraooia was his hatred of dog shows and those associated with them. Under his dictatorship, the activities of the once-thriving Canine Associatioo of Bucharest were banned, allegedly because of the opportunity that they offered to people to gather in large numbers. The association has oow been

revived and recently staged an impressive comeback show in the Giulesti Stadium which combined training demonstrations with the once-popular Romanian sport of greyhound racing (also prohibited under the Communists).

Among the breeds on show were German shepherds and a magnificent Transylvanian bloodhound. So great was the enthusiasm of a public previously deprived of innocent forms of recreation ranging from decent television to yoga - now also thriving in the post-revolutinary era - that the next show is scheduled for July 1.

ne of the more eloquent obituaries to the death of communism in Eastern Europe is to be found in the first official handbook of Romanian political and economic statistics to be issued since Ceausescu's overthrow. Published this week to coincide with the close of the election campaign, it states in one key section: "Romania's economy as inherited from the dictatorial independent.

regime is mainly characterized by excessive centralization; rigid planning, imbalances among the productive branches and subbrzoches; forced, overdi-mensioned industrializatioo without correlation with the country's resources; systematic failure in the fulfilment of annual and five-year plans; discrepancy between the consumption of resources and the results obtained; exaggerated cutbacks in imports and the forced promotion of exports at any cost, by sacrificing any criteria of efficiency." As well as listing statistics

stripped of Ceausescu's fantasjes for the first time in 24 years. The Romanian Directory is also reflective of a new approach: it can only be purchased for US dollars.

eventy-three out of a total of 82 registered Romanian par-ties will be submitting candidates in next Sunday's poll, making comprehension of the polling sheets a daunting task. Voters have already been warned by a senior official that they will be "as thick as telephone books".

One group which did not make it was the self-styled "Shy Party", which the poet and former dissident, Mircea Dinescu, had hoped to found as a dig against what he saw as the nation's unhealthy clamour for power.

He later abandoned the idea and will be standing instead as an

Dec 18 — Ceausescu leaves for three-day visit to Iran. Dec 20 - Ceausescu returns.

Elena tried and executed. Party re-forms Dec 29 - One-party rule abolished. Jan 12, 1990 - Communist

Jan 23 — Doina Cornea quits interim government. Jan 24 - Front sets election date for May 20. Vice-Presi-

Feb 2 - Agreement on interim parliament including all political groups defuses tension. Feb 6 - Tourism Minister Mihai Lupoi resigns. Feb 9 - First session of provisional parliament. Feb 10 — Coal miners strike.

as President. Feb 17 — Officers force resigngovernment headquarters. death, commits suicide.

Apr II - Former King Mich-Communists.

Clifford Longley

for its next turn at government, whenever that may be. But Lords reform might be enough to precipitate the disestablishment of the Church of England - and Labour might then have bitten off much

more than it wants to chew. The legal establishment of the church today consists of one great church-state symbol and several modest church-state ties. The symbol is the Crown, as head of state and supreme governor of the church. Apart from that, and the question of buildings and money, the remaining non-ceremonial bonds between church and state consist of the parliamentary vetn over ecclesiastical legislation, the prime minister's role in the appointment of archbishops and bishops, and the presence of two archhishops and 24 senior hishops

in the House of Lords.
In negotiating the 1976 agreement which resulted in the creation of the Crown Appointments Commission, the then prime minister, James Callaghan, insisted (with Conservative approval) that because hishops sat ex officio in the Lords, 10 Downing Street had to have a voice in who they were to be; otherwise a non-governmental body would have acquired the power to nominate members directly to the second chamber of Parliament. The commission therefore has to submit two names for each appointment to Downing Street, and the prime minister is free to select either,

If bishops were no longer to sit in the House of Lords, or if its membership were decided by a method other than heredity or political nomination, the Callagban case for a political hand in choosing the church's chief pastors would disappear. Further-more, the right of hishops to sit in the Lords is often cited as a quid pro quo for the right of either house to overrule the General Synod on church measures.

Aside from Lords reform, the prospect of disestablishment is still fairly remote, though the calm is deceptive. Politicians tend to say they do not want to disturb the arrangement unless the Church of England asks them to, and most churchmen seem to think there is still a rough balance of advantage and disadvantage. But loss of the right to put hishops in the House of Lords would remove one of the chief attractions, the quid without the quo. The church would then demand its release from the parliamentary veto, and the freedom to choose its own leaders.

Irrespective of more radical reform, there is already pressure even from Anglican hishops - to broaden the base of the ecclesiastical presence in the Lords. Judging from their modest attendance records they find the Lords hurdensome, and would gladly unload some of the work onto other denominations. Dr John Vincent, president of the Method-

eform of the House of ist Conference, recently called for Lords has just been put on Roman Catholic and Non-the Labour Party's agenda conformist leaders to be represented alongside Anglican bishops, in proportion to their active membership. He pointed out that the Chief Rabbi, Dr Jakobovits, already sits in the Lords, and called for places for

Muslim and other leaders. The elevation of Lord Jakobovits caused no great problem. Nor would there be much difficulty in selecting prominent Free Churchmen for life peerages. But getting Roman Catholic hishops into the House of Lords would be another matter. They would insist that their membership was on the same basis as the Anglican hishops - as Lords Spiritual rather than Lords Temporal - not only so that they could leave the Lords when they retired (as Anglican hishops do now), hut also because Pope John Paul II has fnrhidden all

priests and hishops to accept political appointments. Dr Vincent's best hope would be to persuade the Pope that the Lords Spiritual are uniquely nonpolitical parliamentarians whose origin predates the Reformation (and so must have been approved hy one of his medieval predecessors). In any event, an extension of the category of Lords Spiritual would require an Act of Parliament, and once MPs started inkering with membership of the Lords, it is hard in see how they could be made to stop. And if, in spite of the difficulties, Dr Vincent's vision of a bench of rahhis, imams. Free Church prelates and Catholic hishops in the Lords ever came about, the Anglicans would want to know why they, alone, had to pay for their membership by submitting their affairs to parliamentary supervision, and their choice of leaders to prime ministerial discretion.

Another solution would be to withdraw the ecclesiastical presence entirely, leaving the politicians free to do what they like with the House of Lords. But that would depend on whether the intention was to use that chamber as a council of national elders, representing all strands of British life, or to politicize it as a second arena for party conflict.

Labour's thoughts seem to be moving towards the latter, which is probably a mistake. But if as a result of either sort of reform the three functioning parts of the English church establishment en-gine were removed, the church would have changed from an English form of church-state relationship to the Scottish form, purely symbolic, without constitutional implications. But the Scots tend to say that if their own kind of establishment did not exist, they would not dream of inventing it; as it matters so little, however, re is no point in dismantling i

That is not a particularly enthusiastic recommendation for the Church of England to follow. There would be more appeal in going the whole way.

Michael Evans on the fears of social upheaval that would follow mass demobilization

No rushing Moscow on troop cuts '

The state of mind of the Soviet military has become a key factor in the negotiations over arms reductions and the future security stance of a united Germany. Until their anxieties are resolved rapid progress in either area is unlikely.

It is clear from the visit to the Soviet Union this week by Tom King, the Defence Secretary, that the Soviet high command hopes for a more sympathetic attitude from the West. It cannot have been coincidence that Moscow recently produced new figures— 27 million—of the number of Soviet citizens killed in the Second World War. That explains the refusal to countenance a united Germany's membership of Nato.

This may be an emotional response, as Mr King suggested before he left Moscow yesterday, but in spite of the oft-repeated assurance that Nato is a defensive alliance, the Soviet command is apparently not yet convinced. But memories of past wars are not alone responsible for the foot-

stamping by the Soviet military. withdrawals from West Germany There is a fundamental conflict of interest between their avowed support for Gorbachov's reforms and foreign policies and their desire to protect their privileged position, to guarantee their effectiveness as a military superpower and to ensure that the thousands of soldiers who are to be de-

mobilized are well treated. These conflicting loyalties have become an obsession. For example, there is an unmistakable mood of confusion at the Lenin military/political academy in Moscow, which was founded in 1919 to keep the revolutionary spirit alive in the hearts of Soviet soldiers. The academy instructs political officers (commissars, as they used to be called), who are responsible for the Red Army's morale and discipline, both of which are under threat.

The officers who attended a lecture by Mr King at the academy earlier this week appeared genuinely amazed when he made no promise of British troop officer training school, where

in response to Soviet withdrawals from Eastern Europe. And because of years of anti-Western propaganda, his assurances of Nato's non-aggressive strategy fell

The West may think that because of glasnost, which allows a British defence minister to travel around the Soviet Union and his Soviet counterpart to look round a British aircraft-carrier and to visit Aldershot, the commanders of the Red Army will at last grasp the point that they are not under threat of attack. But glasnost, at least as understood by the Soviet high command, should not be over-estimated. It is not yet ready to lay bare all its secrets. Although Mr King did enjoy an unprece-dented demonstration of openness, it was confined to those areas in which the military knew it could shine. The visit to the airborne forces unit at Ryazan. south of Moscow, was an obvious example. The commander said the cadets undergo a rigorous four-year course, has 16 applications for every place. On the other side of the coin.

however, the official number of draft-evaders in the Soviet Union is rising - from 1,044 in 1988 to 6,647 last year. The increase in draft evasion is particularly noticeable in the Leningrad military district, where it was 18 times greater than in the previous year, in the Baltic states (24 times), the Carpathian military district (10 times) and Kiev (23 times). In one recent article in the Soviet military press, it was claimed that many young people eligible for conscription are not physically fit and that many are suffering from various ailments. The sickness rate among conscripts in 1988 was 29 per cent higher than the 1981 figure.

Marshal Dmitry Yazov, promoted hy Gorbachov from general, is taking an increasingly hardline position to protect the forces from what he sees as a growing public antipathy. Public respect for the armed services has certainly declined dramatically. raising serious questions about use of the military to quell domestic unrest. A dramatic increase in harassment and crimes against military personnel in the streets has been reported. According to military officials, the number of officers murdered showed a dramatic increase from two in

1988 to 59 last year. Although the internal issues are a matter for the Soviet Union, they present a problem for the West as well. For if the Russians are pressed too hard to sign a conventional arms treaty which ties them down to a rigid implementation programme - in line with President Bush's proposal for a 1993 timetable — the Soviet military hierarchy will be unable to cope with the huge demobilization required under the

planned agreement.
The Soviet Union will need more than three years to reduce its forces in Eastern Europe to 195,000. That is one concession

When our past is all around us, how can we ignore it?

Raphael Samuel believes those who want to play down British history as jingoistic do a disservice to children indigenous and new arrivals alike

f there is a single issue which has propelled history into public debate, it is the nationality question, which, under the impact of New Commonwealth immigration and settlement and the European Community, is increasingly replacing the social question as the storm-centre of British politics. For Conservatives, national history is a way of restoring a lost sense of the indigenous. History, in their view, will instil in children a greater pride in being British, and a greater sense of continuity in

On the left, the very idea of a national history is suspect, being said to exclude ethnic minorities and to flatter national conceits.
The privileged position given to
British history in the National
Curriculum has been denounced by Labour's spokesman as "jingoist", and some fear a return to insularity and ethnocentrism.

in "history from below" have attempted to sidestep the issue of nation, by advancing the claims of local and regional studies, or culture and community - "lived experience". In schools, "New" history has hy-passed national history, hy concentrating on the one hand on the modern world and, on the other, initiating children into the subject through the domestic and the familiar.

The government's History Working Party, shares some of these inhihitions. Though bending to the minister's requirement that the time devoted in history lessons to British history should be increased from 40 to 50 per cent, it is understandably more concerned to balance competing claims on the new syllahus, and to maintain

a pluralist perspective. Yet whether we like it or not, history is a national question. Even in local history, the nation remains an inescapable frame of reference. Nor can the history of minoriues escape it, since it is in opposition to majorities that minoriues are defined. Peculiar double-standards are at work among those who advocate a

history which starts from the familiar, and yet jih when the nation is in question, advocating instead a "global" view. Moreover, even if the idea of the nation is expelled from the classroom, it will remain potent in the play-ground and, less inhibitedly, on television and the football ter-

races. If historians refuse to teach it, plenty of others will volunteer.

Does one have to be indigeneous to engage with the national past? Must such a study alienate those whose ancestral roots lie elsewhere? On the contrary, one can argue that there are advantages in a study of history from the perspective of an outsider, and that it involves a questioning of the taken-for-granted (Asians, for example, may question whether the British are a Christian people). History opens many more doors than it closes. Far from repelling outsiders, it has often provided strangers with signposts. Some of been written by foreigners. The spirit of place may be fundamental to a sense of history, hut as in literature and art, it can owe as much to the sense of exile or exclusion as to territorial roots.

If British history is to be restored to the curriculum, it should be for pedagogic not patriotic reasons: it is the country which children know best (they are not obliged to love it), whose language they speak (even if they are hilingual) and whose literature they read. To be ignorant of the past of the country in which one lives is to be politically and culturally disenfranchised.

There is no reason why British history need be inward-looking. The earliest printed histories of this country were concerned to establish a European pedigree for national existence. Contemporary history, if it is to take account of Britain's changed position in the world, needs to be still more universal. It might deliberately highlight developments centred elsewhere, such as the Reformation, and show the international scope of phenomena which might be thought purely indigeneous,



such as the abolition of capital punishment in the 1960s. Instead of (or as well as)

considering the development of Britain as a "world power", it might be more profitable to consider this country as part of a larger whole, an off-shore island, say, in medieval Europe, which is how it appears on Hereford Cathedral's Mappa Mundi.

America would be as pertinent as Europe when following the fortunes of British Projestantism. Above all - if only to account for the dramatic effect of immigration - British history should treat the history of Empire as integral to

our island story. The very uncertainties sur-rounding British national identity today might make study of national history the more rewarding and demanding. The collapse of British power gives us a navel vantage point for understanding our national history. Trafalgar Day might be less pertinent than the fall of Singapore, the invention

of the spinning mule than the closure of Lancashire mills. Bilingualism now might alert us to the many speech communities in past times, and recognition of current ethnic diversity might bring into question the notion of an all-English past. The recrudescence of Celtic separatism might also encourage a different view of the nation, seen from Connaught or the Lothians, Duhlin or Edin-

hurgh, rather than Westminster. British politics was dominated for nearly a century by what used to be called "the social question". The discovery of "the slum" in 1881-2, the invention of the term "unemployment" (which entered common currency in the same period) and perhaps fears of "race degeneration" gave the Con-diuon-of-England Question a primacy which it retained arguably, until the 1960s. Likewise in the 1920s, the polarization of politics on class lines was echoed in the classroom, where new textbooks made "the long march

of everyman" the unifying thread. The social question has profoundly democratized the study of the national culture, giving the dignity of history to ordinary people and everyday life; but if it enlarged the subject matter of history in many respects, it narrowed it in others. It had little 10 say about international relations, which were left to students of diplomacy: it usually ignored the history of Empire, and hy giving a privileged place to protest movements, it was apt to begin with enclosure and the Industrial

ere the national question made a unifying thread of the history syllahus, it would take us back to much earlier pasts, asking children to join geologists and the archaeologists in considering the original conditions of island settlement and the permanent ecological features of national life. It would need to follow the record of overseas colonization and conquest, while at the same time showing how the nation was composed of warring and competing parts, showing such divisions as those between Celts and Anglo-Saxons, North and South, Church and Chapel, town and country. If it were need to consider the arts in their international relations as well as indigenous movements.

Above all, with the gathering movement for secession in Scotland and with the civil war in-Ulster now in its 22nd year, with the powers of government and the sovereignty of Parliament in question, the study of British history should from the start emphasize

its own problematic nature. "Nation" is a harsher word than either "culture" or "society", and for socialists like myself many of its associations are negative. But it is an inescapable part of the historian's lexicon, and has the merit of unifying phenomena which otherwise tend to be considered in isolation. It has space for loyalues as well as material interests; hatreds and fears as well asthe progress of reform. Since the. nation confronts us each time we_ open the newspapers, we should not a vert our eyes from it when we turn to the record of the past.

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MATTHEW PARRIS

student journalist friend middle, whereas I always sit in everything wrong, for I have never learned about the "inverted pyramid". This is the basis of all successful newspaper writing, he explains.

"All the important part of what you want to say should come in the top few lines. From then on, importance should dwindle. Never say anything much towards the end." The reason is that most

readers only stay with you for a few sentences, then their attention wanders. So the wise writer, picturing himself shedding readers almost from the point when he first puts pen to paper, packs everything he can into the top. By the end he can expect almost no readers at all. This strikes me as a self-

justifying prophecy. Certainly if essays do run out of steam after 30 seconds' attention, readers will develop the mental habit of giving each article just that, and

But why should we writers lie back and accept this? Should we not fight it - sprinkle the important hits quite randomly around, so readers learn the virtuous hahit of ploughing patiently through the whole thing, never sure the Easter egg may not be concealed under the very last hush?

But then again, maybe the pyramid convention suits me; for by ignoring it myself, I can ensure that the significant part of my thinking is expressed in the section nobody reads. On the whole I would prefer this. On the occasions when I do try to say anything of consequence, I find my audience is irritated, baffled or bored. My secretary says my gravestone will be inscribed with the words "So what?" - yet I do enjoy revealing my thoughts. So revealing them in the passage no one reads offers the best of

both worlds. Have you gone yet? Good. Then it is safe to explain a theory I've been nursing for

months. I believe you can tell how stupid people are by the size and

position of their ears. This insight first came to me when walking half the length of a train to fetch some tea from the huffet car. Buffets are in the finished.

tells me I am doing the front coach or the last, as we were not put on this earth to be indecisive.

Walking a train takes you through assorted carriages including the smoking car offering a snapshot of all sorts and conditions. Those who do this will know that hy their primness, the anti-smoking fascists have missed a devastatingly effective theme for their

For it is increasingly plain that the nicotine habit is moving downmarket, and fast. Any smoker (and some of these are my friends) whn is not a yob, mutant, inadequate, unemployed wheel-tapper or greasyhaired teenage slut in white stiletto heels, will know that such is the company he must now keep in trains. And some of these latter are my friends, too.

It is wonderful how war throws the classes together. Smnking cars these days are a tense coalition of that dwindling species, the educated smoker, shoulder to shoulder with the massed ranks of youths with nine empty lager cans, and women with tattoos - united, now, only by their craving for niconine and their fear of the anti-smoking hrigade.

It is a pitiful sight, as, here and there, copies of The Observer open tremulously like endangered butterflies, among the starting flocks of the Sunday Sport. If the prohibitionists want a single statistic to spearhead the campaign I recommend, it should be the growing. correlation between smoking

and not washing your hair. And thus it was that I first noticed how almost everyone in the smoking car had small cars. set low on their heads.

You probably think I'm joking. You probably think I'm trying to be provocative. My friends, the truth is provocative. Born in the smoking car, my theory has been carried to the world beyond, and refuned down to apply to white males, among whom it seems to work best. Significantly more stupid men have tinier, lower-slung ears than the average. I challenge science to prove me wrong. Are you still here? No? Good.

You can come back, now. I've

Moscow calling the TV tune?

s the KGB using glasnost as a cover for increasing manipulation of Western television. After Channel 4's controversial Kim Philhy documentary, the BBC is to screen an interview with escaped double agent George Blake in the autumn. Journalist Tom Bower is now in Moscow interviewing Blake for an Inside Story programme - further proof, says Tory MP Rupert Allason, alias spy writer Nigel West, that the Western media are getting more and more stupid about being manipulated. All hell will hreak loose if the BBC pays him." According to the BBC yesterday, there would be no such helf: There will be no payment comine from us."

Blake, born George Behar in Holland in 1922, is understood to visit Rotterdam regularly to see his mother, with the full knowledge of the Dutch authorities. Since there is an extradition treaty between the two nations, and given the British authorities' keenness to retrieve sundry train robbers from South America, the lack of interest in the far more accessible Blake seems curious.

Blake belonged to British Naval Intelligence and was captured by the North Koreans, who passed him on to Moscow. There he was activated and returned in Britain to play a double game in M16, where he pre-empted suspicion by applying to pretend to be a double agent. His luck ran out in 1961, and he was convicted to 42 years inside. After serving only five, he was sprung from Wormwood

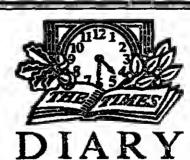
Scrubs by Michael Randle and Pat Pottle, twn peace campaigners whose case is under judicial review after the publicity about their role last year.

The BBC no doubt thinks it has a scoop, although it might not be as spectacular as it would wish. According in Allason, Blake's autohiography was once touted around British publishers but was said to be so boring that they all turned it down.

Unquestioning

he protestations of loyalty to Malcolm Rifkind, the beleaguered Secretary of State for Scotland, by Scotlish Tory MPs are beginning to sound hollow. The party rallied round Rifkind after reports of a plot to oust him at last week's Scottish Conservative conference. But Riskind, now under fire from all sides over British Steel's plans to close the Ravenscraig steel strip mill, will be aghast to learn that not one backbench Scottish Tory MP had bothered to table a friendly question when Scottish ministers are next due to answer at the dispatch box early next month. The time-honoured practice of backbenchers bowling friendly full-tosses in the form of planted questions which the minister can then effortlessly smash to the boundary has been left to five Tory loyalists led by Nicholas Bennett [Pembroke], and not one of them nearer to Hadrian's Wall than Lancashire. They are vastly outnumbered by 45 Opposition MPs all vying to bowl Rifkind an

unplayable googly. Riskind, however, can at least hope that a sizeable proportion of his attackers will fail to turn up. the left-led ACTT. The Guild de-



Tory MP Rob Hayward has just analysed oral questions to minislers over a four-week period and discovered that of about 180 Labour members tabling questions, a quarter were not there on the day to ask them. Hayward plans to raise the matter with the Speaker, though Rifkind would probably prefer him to keep quiet in the hope that such absenteeism is calching.

Cue for abrupt exit T en Loach, left-wing enfant terrible of the British film industry, who is ruffling feathers at Cannes with Hidden Agenda, set in Northern Ireland, creates almost as much controversy off-screen as he does on. A committed trade unionist whose credits include Kes and Cathy Come Home, he has just resigned from the Directors Guild of Great Britain after accusing it of poaching members from the film union ACTT, and he urges fellow members to dn the same. The Guild established itself as a trade union earlier this year and has sent members a questionnaire asking

nies that it is poaching and insists that it is merely responding to inquiries from members about dual membership.

The Guild enjoys, if that is the right word, almost united oppositing from other media unions. Alan Sapper, the ACTT leader, says: "The Directors Guild is a hreakaway from us. It has no negotiating rights with anybody. It should have stayed as a pressure. group, it promised us it would."

Facing facts

n appearance on Spitting Image is a sure sign that a politician has arrived. But Chris Patten, Environment Secretary, Tory blue-eyed boy and tipped by many as a future leader. should not get too excited after making his debut. The Patten puppet is the first in the series ever to be labelled. "We were worried that no one would recognize him," a Central TV spokesman confessed. The producers resorted to this ploy after becoming increasingly frustrated at their inability to have much fun over the poll tax. David Hunt, the poll tax minister.

Spitting Image POLL TAX PERSONALITIES

month, also on the grounds of obscurity - though his puppet did not suffer the indignity of being labelled. His successor. Michael Portillo, presents the same problem. Help may be at hand, however. Portillo was at school with Geoffrey Perkins, the programme's former executive pro-ducer, who ought to be able to offer his nld school chum advice. on what it takes to become a household name - and face.

. If hy did Lahour do so badly in the local government elections in London? Margaret Hodge, Labour leader of Islington council and chairman of the Association of London Authorities, has some down-to-earth advice. "We have to. do the obvious things and do thent well," she savs in the latest issue of . Trihune. "We have to clean the streets and answer the telephone.

See who's looking on-R omania's first proper elec-tions for 53 years have-brought together an unholy: alliance of British MPs in Bucharest as observers. One of the . first to arrive yesterday in the hope of ensuring fair play was the Rev Ian Paisley, who flew in after campaigning in the Upper Bann hy-election, where armed police guarded the ballot boxes. He is being joined by Edwina Currie. Roy Hattersley and Labour whip. Robert Wareing. Dozens of peers and MPs applied to the Inter-Parliamentary Union to act as observers for tomorrow's poll. With accusations of gerrymandering hy the ruling National Salvation Front thick in the air, this unlikely gang of four might, strangely, find common cause.

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handicapped nor elderly should be

cut rather than increased. But he

fails to reveal Murray's reasons for

so contending. They are that the

massive researches reported in his

Losing Ground: American Social Policy 1950-80 have shown that in

the USA hugely expensive poverty

programmes have actually been

Instead of uplifting the under-elass they have, if anything,

tended to keep it down and to

increase its numbers - above all

by reducing or removing the traditional disincentives both to

unmarried motherhood and to

non-participation in the labour

By not revealing either Mur-ray's reasons or his own reasons

for rejecting these Professor Plant

does an injustice. For this makes it

seem that Murray is callous and

indifferent. On the contrary: the truth is that it is precisely because

be is so sincerely and so rationally

concerned that he wants to have

done with judging programmes and policies hy their good in-tentions rather than by what he

believes to be their actual bad

Yours faithfully

ANTONY FLEW,

26 Alexandra Road,

Reading, Berksbire, May 15.

creatively at work.

receiving.

May 17.

g Nelson Road,

Johansen-Berg

current situation.

From Mr Fred C. Freeman

Sir. Members of governments and

managements often fail to rec-

ognise the fact that, if they lower

the morale of people, they also

reduce the energy that could be

people have through their social

projects, the less likely will be their

desire to overthrow the existing

social order, because they will feel

that they themselves are an eff-

ective part of a real establishment

Yours faithfully, FRED FREEMAN (Chairman),

Romania's future

From the Reverend John

Give As You Earn (United Way),

Sir, Your report (May 14) on the

rejection hy Mr Iliescu of any

interference by the British Gov-

ernment in the affairs of Romania

highlights the complexities of the

I visited there in April and

Kolozsvar on Palm Sunday. I was

able to discuss current needs with

a number of people. Clearly basic food and other aid and medical

equipment is still urgently needed.

hut much is already being done to

meet this need. Beyond this there

is longer-term need to help with

programmes of church and

There is a need for reconcili-

ation in a situation where na-

tionality, religion and culture are

closely intertwined. Those coun-

tries that are keen to offer the hand

of friendship to Romania are right

in urging the interim Government

-and the Government that will be

elected in May - to ensure that

ethnic violence and inumidation

of political parties are ended. It is

to be hoped that the misunder-

standings of the past can be

forgotten and a new era of

Nr Bromsgrove, Worcestershire.

Cardinal's successor

Sir, Your Irish Affairs Corres-

pondent is on very doubtful ground in suggesting (report, May 10) that the Irish Prime Minister is

likely to have "a strong say" in the

matter of the succession to Cardi-

nal O Fiaich as Archbishop of

Armagh and Catholic Primate of

All Ireland. Vatican sources con-

firm that it would be most unusual

for the Irish Prime Minister (or

any other prime minister in such

circumstances) to have anything

like the kind of influence which

The Papal Nuncio in Dublia

may, of course, consult whom he

wishes, including Mr Haughey, but there could be no question of

Mr Haughey's exercising any spe-

cial influence over the Nuncio's

recommendations. The Nuncio

will be well aware that the

character and outlook of the Irish

Primate can powerfully spur or

retard Cardinal O Fiaich's dream

of orderly and democratic pro-

gression towards the unity of

Incidentally nuncios around the

world submit recommendations

for bishoprics through the Con-

gregation of Bishops in Rome to

the Pope. The choice is the Pope's

this phrase implies.

JOHN JOHANSEN-BERG,

Chadwich Manor Estate,

From Mr R. M. Purcell

reconciliation begin.

Yours faithfully,

Barnes Close.

May 14.

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ROMANIA ON THE RACK

A miracle may yet save Romania from the misfortune of a decisive victory for the ruling 'National Salvation Front at tomorrow's general election. The Front, in the guise of the country's "interim government", has fought a vicious campaign, marshalling behind it the whole former communist apparatus which, with dependants, accounts for some 5 per cent of the population.

In Bucharest and in the multi-ethnic parts of Transylvania to the west, where the rising against Ceausescu began, the Front emerged in its true colours: as the vampire of democracy. Further from the international limelight, in the remoter regions of Moldavia, the Front made it almost impossible for the two main opposition parties, the National Liberal Party and the National Peasants' Party, to campaign.

· The opposition has itself made several serious mistakes, beginning with the decision to revive two old parties which were widely discredited half a century ago. Before and after the war, the Liberals and Peasants failed to hold the line against totalitarians, both fascist and communist. In 1990 their successors again failed to unite against the common foe. Romania may now reap the consequences.

The opposition presidential candidates -Mr Radu Campeanu of the Liberals and Mr Ion Ratiu of the Peasants - are themselves septuagenarians, and may have boped to revive old loyalties among the generation which remembers the pre-communist era. Any such advantage was outweighed by the ease with which the Front's leaders, President Ion Iliescu and Mr Petre Roman, the Prime Min--ister, have been able to divide their opponents.

They have presented Mr Ratin, a wealthy London emigre until the revolution, as a reincarnation of the hoary old capitalist stereotype. Mr Ratiu, albeit an untainted anticommunist, was probably wrong to allow his name to go forward. As an exile, he was certain to arouse mixed feelings in a country which has suffered as much as Romania did under Ceausescu. In the comparable situation of 1945, Thomas Mann declined to let himself be installed by the victorious Allies as the figurehead of a democratic Germany. When the writer returned from Californian exile, he was dismayed by the hostility he encountered, Nations usually reward their Jeremiahs only

Towards Mr Campeanu the Front has alternated between physical intimidation,

which is reported to have terrified him sufficiently to deter him from leaving the capital in the latter stages of the campaign, and friendly overtures designed to compromise the Liberals with their supporters, who have bravely demonstrated against the Government in the squares of Bucharest and Timisoara. In the televised debate between the three presidential candidates broadcast on Thursday, Mr Campeanu appeared not to exclude the idea of a coalition with the Front.

The arrival this week of foreign observers ought to ensure fair play at the polling booths. With hindsight, there is little doubt that these scrutineers should have been present throughout the campaign. A concerted effort by the European Community to induce Mr Iliescu to submit to a strict monitoring regime might have had a real impact on the result.

The official Romanian media tried last weekend to misrepresent The Times' criticism of the belated British diplomatic protest as acquiescence in the Front's own denials of electoral malpractice. Such mendacity has typified its conduct ever since Ceausescu's overthrow. Official denials of the anti-Hungarian pogrom in Tirgu Mures in March inspire no confidence.

That is one reason for the West, for all Romania's neighbours, and for Hungary in particular, to treat any future government dominated by the Front with extreme caution. Another is the Front's economic platform.

Messrs Iliescu and Roman, once communists in the pro-Moscow minority of Ceausescu's party, now present themselves as straightforward Romanian nationalists. They promise job security and economic gradualism, in superficially attractive contrast to the economic shock treatment offered by the opposition. The Front has deliberately omitted to explain to a population still traumatized by the ordeal of Ceausescu's rule that foreign investors will refuse to come to Romania's rescue, unless its government is prepared to scrap not merely Ceausescu's most atrocious excesses, but his entire economic system.

The offers of continuity of employment to tens of thousands of state-employed workers in government, the security services and bankrupt "commercial" enterprises may win elections. They do not rescue economies. Mr Riescu's advisers talk of introducing "market mechanisms" in three years time. Romania cannot wait that long.

CHANGING THE GUARD

Further questions will be asked about security at military bases in this country when the Commons defence committee reports next week. Instead of calling, as is expected, for much stricter vetting of private security firms hired by the Ministry of Defence, the committee should ask why Whitehall uses private companies in the first place.

The subject is inevitably sensitive. MPs began their four-month investigation in the shadow of last year's bomb outrage at Deal. Their report will follow hard upon two more IRA attacks in London. Policy should not be swaved by the emotion which such atrocities engender. The Government is right, for instance, to reject the use of security guards at Army careers offices and other "soft" IRA targets in town centres. To seal the Army off from the public would be to concede defeat to

There are two compelling reasons why the policy of contracting out security should end, or at least be substantially modified. The first is that for the Armed Forces, trained to guard the country, to hire commercial firms to protect them is an absurdity. The second is that they could do the job better.

Arguments in favour of the practice have rested essentially on cost-effectiveness. Guarding MoD establishments is boring routine. Passes have to be checked, briefcases searched and the undersides of vehicles examined. The work, it is alleged, hardly requires a commando's training. It is a waste to release fighting men from the central front in Germany.

The job definition should be rethought, recognizing that constant vigilance requires people who are trained for it. Civilian security services have become a burgeoning industry.

Those who peddle their services possess uneven quality and experience. There is general recognition of the need for official scrutiny. But the Armed Forces would do better to take direct charge of military security. rather than continue to subcontract a vital area of operations, even under tighter controls.

The Ministry of Defence has begun to acknowledge this. It has recently confirmed that it is considering setting up its own special force, whose role would be to guard MoD establishments. This goes some way to answering the criticisms. But there is no evidence it needs a new body.

The ministry already employs its own police force, in addition to more than 300,000 servicemen. The recent Defence Estimates, moreover, committed it to spending £126 million on improving security at its military bases. To impose a fresh layer of bureaucracy on a budget which is already under strain hardly sounds like a sensible option.

The Government should revert to using servicemen to maintain security at their bases and MoD police at softer non-military targets. The argument that this would waste the energies of soldiers required to protect Western Europe has lost much of its force in recent months, and internal security against terrorism of all kinds has become a priority area for the

After two decades on the streets of Northern Ireland. British soldiers have acquired an expertise which few civilian personnel could match. Recent events suggest that the best use should be made of these skills. To continue to hire private firms is not only unnecessary; it could be counter-productive. The vigilance required in standing guard is in itself a form of military training.

SURFEIT OF DINOSAUR

The mystery is solved at last. Dr Thomas Wdowiak, of the University of Alabama, has revealed that the dinosaurs died out not because of gamma-rays, or climatic changes, or holes in the ozone layer, or even stupidity. They died of food poisoning. Mad dinosaur disease did them in.

Apparently there was an immense quantity of nickel lying about at the time. The beasties grazed off plants contaminated with the stuff, and before you could say "Another lousy film coming up" they all keeled over. (Other experts are said to be "sceptical of the idea", some no doubt certain that the cause was copper, not nickel, others pinning their faith to aluminium, and others insisting that it must have been a dodgy oyster).

Considering that the dinosaurs were trotting about at least 100 million years ago, they have an annoying habit of getting under the feet of contemporary passers-by. Another American academic, presumably determined not to be upstaged by Dr Wdowiak, has announced that he has found the bones of dinosaurs which were only two or three feet high.

P. T. Barnum, the great showman, used to publish advertisements claiming that his exhibition included "The tallest dwarf in the world". Customers rolled up in large numbers only to find a perfectly ordinary six-foot man lolling in a chair. That, surely, must cause suspicion to fall on the American diggers. After all, the bones of a two-foot dinosaur could easily be confused with those of a reasonablesized Labrador. If the Prof blows his trumpet a little too loudly, he may find himself being belaboured with an umbrella for disturbing Fido's last resting-place.

Even if they are real dinosaurs, they are something of a disappointment. Most people like their dinosaurs to be gigantic creatures of the utmost ferocity; there would be little interest in a dinosaur called Diddums which trotted along on a lead and was fed Winalot biscuits by its doting owner.

Nor does that exhaust this week's dinosaur news. Someone on the Isle of Wight, of all peaceful spots to start a row, has excavated not a dinosaur, nor even a dinosaur's femur. nor yet a half-chewed lump of nickel, but a dinosaur's footprint. He dug it out with a chisel. and it took him hours, but the National Trust, which owns the land on which the dinosaur stepped in the mud a hundred million years or so ago, insists that it belongs to them.

Similes are flying. The Trust says that it is like taking a picture from one of their stately homes, whereas the man with the shovel maintains that it is like picking up a shell on the seashore, and in between there is a faction likening it to a fossil. There can be no doubt that the monster was the full-sized variety, not the lap-dinosaur kind; no doubt the Isle of Wight excavator would have spurned an offer of a footprint made by the miniature variety.

Perhaps a kind of dinosaur Crusts could be set up to settle all such matters; the committee could rule on the authenticity of the little ones and the ownership of the giant footprint. But it would be a very brave committee that dared to give an authoritative ruling on the cause of the dinosaurs' disappearance. Here's a disturbing thought; when we have disappeared, will there be a similar debate on what finished us off? Reading too much about dinosaurs, probably.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Britain's role in South Africa

From Sir Peter Fawcus Sir. The two key men in South

Africa, President de Klerk and Mr Mandela, are to have talks with Mrs Thatcher. She will be in a position, for a brief moment, to influence events in their country.

A constituent assembly which could serve as an interim government, on the Namibian model, is not necessary in South Africa; nor is it feasible on the ANC's (African National Congress) terms, which involve elections on a non-racial universal franchise. The immense preparatory task of compiling a voters' role would unduly delay the start of substantive negotiations on the new Constitution.

All that is required is a national convention, similar to that convened in 1908 to work out the details of a new Consultation, but constituted from representative leaders of the different political

The ANC look forward to a time when they themselves, organised as a political party, may assume power in a united South Africa, but until there is a new dispensation after a constitutional settlement their prospects of doing so depend on the established government, the only power in the land capable of maintaining the integrity of the State. Without that power, deep-seated tribal and political conflicts could quickly lead to chaos.

In view of the probable duration of the main negotiations on the Consultation there is an argent need for an interim government which will involve the blacks themselves in the task of creating a non-racial State and removing the vestiges of apartheid.

The tricameral Parliament should be replaced as soon as possible by a single chamber, which would include all races, early elections being achieved by means of communal representa-

The proportion of the different racial groups would be a matter for negotiation, but in view of the need for early agreement, this would be a time for an offer to the blacks of sufficient representation in Parliament and ministerial responsibilities in government to ensure their support.

Yours faithfully, R. P. FAWCUS, Dochart House, Killin, Perthshire.

May 17.

From Dr G. B. R. Feilden. Sir. The latest oil slick incident off

Tackling oil slicks

the south-west coast (reports, May 14, 16, 17) shows once more the inadequacy of present arrangements for dealing with such occurrences. It took four days before a concerted attack was mounted on the slick, and the action then taken failed to prevent oil reaching the shore. Proposals, of which I am joint

inventor, have recently been made for a radically different approach to the containment of oil slicks. These involve the dropping from a low-flying aircraft or helicopter of a radio-controlled skimmer, which could be at the site of the disaster within an bour or two of its occurrence. The skimmer would float on the surface of the sea and as it was propelled through the slick its V-shaped booms would collect the oil into a replaceable reservoir at their base

Thames salmon

From Mr Peter J. Gough Sir, Your recent reports (May 5, early editions, and May 7) of salmon freshly trapped at Moseley Weir, near Hampton Court, point to more proof of the success of our salmon restoration in the Thames. The work is now largely financed by the National Rivers Authority. with development work funded by the Thames Salmon Trust, a

registered charity. To ease the salmon's journey to their spawning grounds we are planning 22 fish-passes, or "ladders", which will allow salmon to ascend the otherwise impassable weirs. The Trust has already auracted sponsorship and donations for the construction of 12 of

Dunkirk evacuation

From Lord Keyes

Sir, I would like to correct two small but crucial dates given in Brian James's article (May 12). "Operation Dynamo" did not commence on May 17, 1940, nor did the surrender of the Belgian Army take place on that date. Lord Gori, Commander-in-Chief of the British Expeditionary Force, decided on May 25 to race northwards to Dunkirk and "Opcration Dynamo" began on May 26.

Although my father, Admiral of the Fleer Sir Roger Keyes, was at King Leopold's side as Churchill's special liaison officer throughout the Belgian Army's 18-day campaign they were not informed of the British flight.

Leopold inspired his gallant army to prolong its resistance until May 28. Hence in the words of The Times's former Military Correspondeot, Sir Basil Liddell Hart: "The British Army was saved from destruction by King Leopold ... who was then violently abused in Britain and France".

Yours faithfully, KEYES, Elmscroft, Charlton Lane, West Farleigh, Maidstone, Kent.

Fairer treatment of the 'underclass'

From the Director of the Runnymede Trust

Sir, Professor Plant ("Uplifting the underclass", May 15) makes some important points and misses others. Rarely have academia and the media been so seduced by a concept as sloppy and unsophisneated as that of the "underclass". Its continued use may produce more fog than light.

Men - and women - have been asking for money at railway stations in London for as long as I can remember. What is important, however, is the increase in young beggars in inner London. When I founded Centrepoint Soho, the allnight centre for young homeless 21 years ago, we saw very few young beggars although the signs of the increase in the numbers of the marginal were clear. The appearance of young beggars has been swift and dramauc.

In the USA, study of the underclass has become a highly-profitable activity. But Britain differs markedly from New York, Chicago, and Detroit in that the bulk of the "underclass" are not black. Yet the warning signs are clear. As many black people have begun to ascend the ladder of affluence, the trends towards entrenchment of deprivation in districts of residential segregation have become sharper. The gulf between the black bourgeoisic and the black poor has become wider. But again what is new? The black middle class is following the white majority.

We are talking not only about "the poor", but about those who feel they have no stake in society. who are non-citizens, and have lost their human dignity. Surely we need to be asking questions not about how to uplin the underclass" but about what features of our society have led to such dehumanisation and oppression. And this must mean looking beyond poverty to the centra values of the powerful. As R. H. Tawney wrote, what thoughtful rich people call the problem of poverty, thoughtful poor people call the problem of riches. Ought we not to be starting to debate further up the scale - with the

"overclass"? Yours sincerely KENNETH LEECH, Director, The Runnymede Trust 11 Princelet Street, El. May 15.

From Professor Antony Flew Sir, Professor Raymond Plant is very quick to reject Charles Mur-ray's contention that welfare bene-

from which the oil would subsequently be recovered. For transport, the skimmer would be inflated after leaving the aircraft - in exactly the same way as lifejackets are. So far this proposal has not aroused any interest amongst the equipment manufacturers whom we have

approached though its cost would not be excessive. The method of dealing with oil slicks which I have just described will enable the vast majority of the slick to be recovered before it has become emulsified with sea water. Moreover, this invention is a case of "prevention being better than cure" in that it provides a method of collecting and removing the spilled oil, so prevenuing at source the severe ecological damage which we have seen with past oil slicks.

Yours faithfully. G. B. R. FEILDEN, Verlands. Painswick, Gloucestershire.

the 22 required fish-passes and the two latest ones, at Sunbury and Cherisey, are to be officially opened on May 22.

Since 1979, the Thames has been restocked annually with young salmon and our initial target is to see 1,000 adult salmon a year returning to spawn. Our best year to date was 1988, when 323 were caught in our trap and then released. Many others will have got through without being trapped and it is thought the total run was about 500 fish.

PETER J. GOUGH (Fisheries Officer). National Rivers Authority, Kings Meadow House, Kings Meadow Road. Reading, Berkshire.

Yours etc.

Museum changes

From Dr S. Conway Morris, FRS. and others

Sir, Rather than list in detail why the proposed reorganization of the Natural History Museum is so misguided, let us cite just one example. The study of diatoms is to be terminated. These singlecelled plants secrete exquisite skeletons of quartz, beautiful to behold but surely of no practical relevance? Unfortunately they are. The cover of last week's edition of Nature sports a magnificent example of a diatom, while inside an article explains their utility for acid-rain studies.

Are the Government and its myrmidons in the Natural History Museum quite incapable of recognizing that if you cannot identify a diatom, the whole basis of future investigation of these and other environmentally sensitive organisms is prejudiced. Yours faithfully, SIMON CONWAY MORRIS, GRAHAM BUDD. RACHEL WOOD, CHRIS NICHOLAS,

MICHAEL PURCELL (Head of Chancery, HM Legation University of Cambridge, to the Holy See, 1973-76), Department of Earth Sciences, French Mill Cottage, Downing Street, Cambridge. Shaftesbury, Dorset.

Treiand.

Yours sincerely

Cycle lanes that fits to those who are neither fail to please

From Mr T. Piercey

Sir, I hope that the cycle lanes planned for London (report, May 8) have more success than those built recently around Bristol. These were originally built for pedestrians, with facilities for cyclists added as an afterthought; thus the surface has been laid to pavement standards, which is very rough for bicycles to use. Later lanes are built to a better standard. except where they are just widened pavements.

Lampposts and road-signs obstruct the lanes, which are treated like pavements by the footpathhighway department. Thus, piles of wood chippings and unfinished man-hole trenches block the tracks for weeks on end.

Where the lanes cross roads, no facilities are provided to help in crossing the road. Thus, when traffic is heavy, the crossing is blocked by queueing cars; when it is less beavy, the speed of the vehicles makes crossing dangerous.

The cyclist is left to decide whether the added risk of hitting fixed objects or pedestrians, the time wasted waiting to cross roads and the increased damage both to the bike and the rider from the poorly-built and maintained cycle lane more than offsets the reduced risk of being hit by another vehicle.

The majority of cyclists continue to use the roads, rather than the cycleways, which seems a oit of a waste. There is also another hazard: motorists, seemingly incensed by cyclists still using their roads when cycle lanes have been huilt, who take great pleasure in trying to force them off "their"

Yours sincerely, T. PIERCEY, 59 Downend Road, Fishponds, Bristol, Avon.

which has been originated by From Mr Ronald Osborne The charitable voluntary sector Sir, As a resident of Isleworth until as a whole may be viewed as an 1977 I am reminded by Mr A. C. essential mediator between the Scales's letter (May 4) that the State and the individual with their local cycle paths were then frecorresponding opposed dangers. quently used for parking by res-Charitable purposes thus imply idents, making progress somewhat group activities intelligently tricky; presumably this is still the aimed at mutual aid, and the case. On one occasion I unwitprovision of finance, by those who tingly rode over a pair of legs are able to give, for those less fortunate who would benefit by protruding from beneath one of these parked vehicles, much to

my, and the owner's surprise. I wish Mr Scales much joy from his cycling, both at home and abroad, for many years to come. Yours faithfully, RONALD OSBORNE,

5 Harebell Close, Hartley Wintney Basingstoke, Hampshire.

From Mr J. Peter Morris Sir, We do not need proposals for a network of 1,000 miles of eve lanes in London. In this part of the capital city the lanes already exist and are intensively used. They were formerly called pavements and footpaths.

Yours etc. J. P. MORRIS. 88 Ridgmount Gardens, WCI. May 8.

'Mad cow' disease From Miss Anne Goyder

Sir, A Smithfield worker interviewed on radio this week about "mad cow" disease summed up the problem succinculy. "They should never have fed them meat", he said. We, the baffled consumers, have discovered that this practice has gone on for years,

hut clearly the laws of nature can no longer be flouted with impunity. Let us stop this unethical and pernicious practice (which is also one of the causes of salmonella in eggs) and feed our cattle on vegetarian products only (as do the French farmers - hence their healthy stock]. Let us stop pretending we can reverse and rule the natural order of creation and relearn the humility, the humanity and the common sense to live in harmony with it.

Yours faithfully, A. B. GOYDER. Gate Cottage, Hampstead Norreys, Newbury, Berkshire. May 17.

Supply of teachers

From Dr Richard Aldrich Sir, The recommendation of the Education, Science and Arts Committee of the House of Commons in its report, "The supply of teachers for the 1990s", that the Government should establish a "general teaching council" is welcome news indeed (report, May 10).

There is widespread support for such a body, amonest parents, employers, teachers' associations and teachers themselves. Indeed a recent survey of 1,200 teachers by the College of Preceptors showed that 94 per cent were in favour of a

Yours faithfully. RICHARD ALDRICH (Chairman, GTC sub-committee), The College of Preceptors, Publications Department 44/45 Museum Street, WC1.

Knowing one's place

From Miss Cherry Lavell Sir, Whatever happened to "moving"? Why do we all have to "relocate" these days?

Yours etc. CHERRY LAVELL 24 Fitzroy Road, NW1. May 14.

Letters to the Editor should carry a daytime telephone number. They may be sent to a fax number — (871) 782 5046.



COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE May 18: His Excellency Mr Oswald M Gibbs was received in farewell audience by The Queen and took leave upon His Excellency relinquishing his appointment as High Commissioner for Grenada in London.

Mr Peter Hinchcliffe was received in audience by Her Majesty and kissed hands upon his appointment as British High Commissioner to the Republic

Mrs Hinchcliffe was also reorived by The Queen.

The Earl of Drogheda was received by Her Majesty and delivered up the Insignia of the Order of the Garter worn by his father, the late Earl of Drogheds. The Queen this afternoon unveiled The Queen Caroline Memorial in Hyde Park.

Her Majesty was received by the Lord Hesketh (Under-Sec-retary of State, Department of the Environment).

The Right Hon Sir William Heseltine was in attendance. BUCKINGHAM PALACE May 18: This morning The Princess Royal, Patron, Nat-ional Garden Festival Gates-head 1990, opened the Festival at Gateshead, Tyne and Wear and was received on arrival by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Tyne and Wear (Colonel Sir Ralph Carr-Ellison).

Afterwards Her Royal High-ness, President, Council for National Academic Awards, at-tended the Academic Awards Ceremony at St James's Palace, Mrs Charles Ritchie was in

In the evening The Princess
Royal, President, Save the
Children Fund, attended a
performance of The Barber of
Seville, at the New Theatre Cardiff and was received on arrival by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for South Glamor-gan (Mrs Susan Williams).

Royal engagements

TODAY: The Prince and Princess of Wales will attend a concert in aid of the Compton Verney Opera Project at Compton Verney, Warwickshire, at

TOMORROW: The Princess Royal, as Patron of the Associ-ation of Combined Youth Clubs, will visit the thirtieth anniversary Festival of Youth at Battersea Park at 2pm.

Memorial service

Sir Keith Granville A memorial service for Sir Keith Granville was held yesterday at the Church of St Bartholomew-the Great, West Smithfield. The Rev A.W.S. Brown officiated. Mr David Granville, son, and Sir Ross Stainton read the lessons and Mr Richard Hilary paid tribute. Among those

present were;

Lidy Granvijie (widow), Mr and Mrs Cohwaner and Mr and Mrs John Rose gomein-law and daughters), Miss Stand Granville Gaussiders), Mrs Bard Granville Gaussiders), Mrs Bard Granville Gaussiders), Mrs Marjoid Minear (stepdaughter), Mrs Marjoid Granville (grandchildren), Mr James Shaari, Mrs Annie Stuart, Mr Tony Shaeri, Mrs Annie Stuart, Mr Tony Shaeri, Mrs Annie Stuart, Mr James Shaari, Mrs Annie Stuart, Mr Tony Shaeri, Mrs Annie Stuart, Mr Tony Singer, Mr and Mrs Victor Rose.

Sir Heary Marking, Sir David and Lady Williams, Sir David and Lady English. Sir Basil Smailnetec, Lady Stainton, Captain Colin Barneg and Mr Ketth Wilden Grenreenting the Cadarman and the Grenreenting the Cadarman and the Grenreenting the Cadarman and the Colin Barneg and Mr Ketth Wilden Grenreenting the Cadarman and the Colin Barneg and Mrs Ketth Wilden Grenreenting the Cadarman and the Colin Barneg and Mrs Cadarman and the Affact (grenreenting the Cadarman and Transport). Mr R J Walden Gransport). Mr A Finch (representing the Radio Officers of Imperial Alirways), Mr Mobert Esden (Imperial Alirways), Mr Mobert E

Birthdays

TODAY: Miss Candice Bergen, actress, 44; Sir Peter Bowness, solicitor, 47; Brigadier Sir Fred-erick Coates, 74; Dr Edward de Bono, lateral thinker, 57; Mr James Fox, actor, 51; Sir Harold Himsworth, former secretary, Medical Research Council, 85; Baroness Hylton-Foster, 82; Mr David Jacobs, broadcaster, 64; Air Chief Marshal Sir Thomas Perutz, OM, CH, molecular biologist, 76; Sir Kenneth Pres-ton, former chairman, Stone-Plant Industries, 89; Sir Michael Scott, diplomat, 67; Sir James

Her Royal Highness was at-tended by The Hon Mrs Legge-Bourke.

CLARENCE HOUSE May 18: Mrs Patrick Campbell-Preston has succeeded the Lady Elizabeth Basset as Lady-in Waiting to Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother. KENSINGTON PALACE

May 18: The Prince of Wales visited HMAS SYDNEY (Com-mander Brian Robertson RAN)

at Portsmouth.

His Royal Highness was received by Rear-Admiral J J R Tod (Flag Officer Portsmouth). Commander Alistair Watson

RN was in attendance.
The Princess of Wales. Patron, British Sports Association for the Disabled, attended the Association's "Wheelchair asketball Day" at the Fountain

Leisure Centre, Brentford. The Hon Mrs Vivian Baring and Licutenant-Commander Patrick Jephson RN were in attendance.
KENSINGTON PALACE
May 18: The Princess Margaret

Countess of Snowdon visited Evesham this afternoon and was received on arrival by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Hereford and Worcester (Captain Thomas Dunne). Her Royal Highness opened the County Library and Abbey

Gates Shopping Centre.

Mrs Jane Stevens was in KENSINGTON PALACE May 18: The Duchess of Gloucester, Patron, Helen

Arkell Dyslexia Centre, this afternoon visited the Centre and opened the Lecture Hali at Frensham, Farnham, Surrey. Mrs Euan McCorquodale was

in attendance. THATCHED HOUSE LODGE May 13: Princess Alexandra, attended by the Lady Mary Mumford, left Heathrow Airport, London, this afternoon for Berlin.

Steel, former chairman, Furnes:

Withy and Company, 81; Professor Gordon Stone, chem-

ist, 65; Mr Pete Townshend, guitarist and singer, 45; Mr Sandy Wilson, composer, 66; Miss Victoria Wood, com-

TOMORROW: Mr John Arkell,

industrialist and former director of administration, BBC, 81; General Sir Hugh Beach, 67; Sir

David Berriman, chairman, North East Thames Regional

Health Authority, 62; Dr Sir Clifford Butler, former vice-cbancellor, Loughborough University, 68; Mr H.T. Cadbury-Brown, architect, 77; Sir Harry Campion, statistician, 85; the Rev Professor Owen Chadwick, OM, ecclesiastical historian, 74; Professor Richard Cobb, historian, 73: Flight

historian, 74; Professor Richard Cobb, historian, 73; Flight-Lieutenant J.A. Cruickshank, VC, 70; Mr Lynn Davies, athlete, 48; Mr Keith Fletcher, cricketer, 46; Surgeon Vice-Admiral Sir John Harrison, 69; the Earl of Iveagh, 53; the Very Rev Professor John McIntyre, theologian, 74; Mr Peter Shore,

MP, 66; Sir William Simpson, former trades unionist, 70; Mr

James Stewart, actor, 82; Mr

Iain Vallance, chairman, British

Telecom, 47.

Marriages

Mr J.A.C. Drake

Mr Peter Shore

edienne, 37.

OBITUARIES

BOB DANVERS-WALKER

Bob Danvers-Walker, broadcaster, stuntman and for 30 years the voice of Pathe News. has died at the age of 83. He was born on October 11, 1906.

ACCLAIMED by the Guinness Book of Records as "the world's most durable commentator", Bon Danvers-Walker gave the cinema newsreel a distinctive style with his rich, fruity voice and unfailingly upbeat tone.

Although much parodied in later years, his unashamed optimism and patriolic endorsement of the British way of life had a wide popular appeal, particularly during the Second World War when he played a significant role in the boosting of public morale.

During his time with Pathé, which spanned the years from 1940 to 1970, Danvers-Walker covered most of the hig events of the period and thanks to the already international medium of the cinema, his voice became immedately recognisable throughout the world.

required him lapse into fa-cetiousness or bathos, he was also capable of striking the in his commentary on the funeral of King George VI in

In the same year he produced an outstanding broadcast from the Farnborough Air Show when the aircraft of the test pilot John Derry exploded after breaking the sound barrier. Danvers-Walker's first-

ort, CBE, bridge designer and

inventor, died aged 86 on May

1. He was born on April 23,

Another design was a so-

called "scissors assault bridge" which could be carried

on a tank chassis, then opened

from an idea he had in his

armoured vehicles to use, was

won the war.



BRIG STAIR STEWART

being Superintendent of the 1953-56 where he successfully

Experimental Bridging developed the use of solar

Establishment, foresaw the heating for army married potential of the Bailey bridge quarters. He was at the Min-

If his Pathé scripts often tragedy was both vivid and moving.

When in his fifties Danvers-Walker started a new career as rolled by the BBC's Now surance policy, his stunts disabled ship.

On another occasion he opened the London weekend

Brigadier Stoir Agnew Stew- commemorated, Stewart, Middle East Land Forces

— its portability, ease of istry of Supply from 1956-59.

THE best known product of manufacture and adaptability. After retirement he was Direc-

dier Stair Stewart led was the uon. It was first used in the He made his own windscreen

retreating Germans, thus

maintaining the Allies'

Stewart was educated at Win-

chester and commissioned

ment where he took part in the

After the war Stewart was

concept - on the back of an tion and Works at the War His wife predeceased him

envelope by Donald Bailey, a Office from 1950-53; and and he is survived by a

civil servant whose name it Deputy Director of Works in daughter, Carolyn.

A Brigadier-General's son,

hand description of the above the Earl's Court Road hehind a professional wirewalker, an Italian wbo spoke no English.

He went on to became a right note of sincere gravity, as a television stuntman. En- familiar face, as well as a voice, in the early years of ITV programme with a £30,000 when he announced the prizes on Michael Miles's quiz show, included jumping over a 100- Take Your Pick. He also foot cliff and escaping from a provided the voice-over for many television commercials.

He was born Cyril Danvers-Walker in Cheam, Surrey, but service of Independent Tele-vision by walking a high wire his chartered accountant

tor of the British Road Tar

washers for his cars long

before the rest of the world

had them; flickering lights for

roadworks were his idea; and a

lawn edge-cutter, based on his idea, was patented by Stewart

He was appointed OBE in

1949, CBE in 1956 and was

ADC to the Queen from 1957-

59. He was also awarded the

American Legion of Merit for

passing on expertise in hridge-

He was an enthusiastic

cricket supporter and tennis

and was manufactured.

DUNGING.

Stair Stewart was inventive.

Association for 12 years.

father had set up a wooijen mill He attended Launceston Grammar School and, after various jobs, started his broadcasting career with a local radio station in Melbourne in 1925.

With his extrovert personality and gift of the gab he took naturally to the joh, specializing in outside broadcasts and being one of the first commentators to hroadcast from an aircraft in flight.

In 1931 he moved to the continent of Europe as the chief announcer of the International Broadcasting Company, working for commercial stations such as Radio Normandie.

Early in the Second World War he worked under the French Ministry of Propaganda in countering German broadcasts. He later discovered that this work had earned him a place on the Nazi blacklist.

After the war, apart from his Pathé job, he became a popu-lar radio broadcaster on such programmes as Housewives Choice, Film Time and Opportunity Knocks.

A sturdy traditionalist in many areas, Danvers-Walker deplored what he saw as declining standards in broadcast speech and frankly believed that commentating and news reading were jobs too serious to be entrusted to

He is survived by his wife, Vera, and one son and one

CHARLES KNIGHT

Charles Knight, a painter in oil, tempera but especially watercolour of the Sussex Downs and other British landscapes, died on May 15 aged 88. He was born in Hove on August 27, 1901.

A PROFOUND understanding of both the temperament and creative methods of John Sell Cotman, whose work he first saw at the British Museum in 1924, firstly unlocked the doors to Charles Knight's own visual language.

Knight benefited all his life from a stainle family background and a series of close friendships which were to aid his painterly gift. His falher, who came from the Sussex farming community, worked for a Brighton publisher and as an enthusiastic amateur first took his son sketching as a four-year-old.

After 1919, when Knight entered the Brighton College of Art, it was his painling tutor. Louis Ginnett who advanced the range of Knight's mind. Four years at Brighton was followed by two years at the Royal Academy schools. He also studied etching at the Royal College of Art and highly valued the visits of academy figures like Walter Sickert.

At college Knight's fellow student Charles A. Morris was the first to realize the potential to them both of the English Watercolour school. However, at prize-giving it was Knight who won the Turner Medal and the Landseer Scholarship. His prize composition (Llangollen) was bought for the Tate Gallery by Sir Joseph Duveen.

All Knight's professional life was spent in the Brighton

post at the college in 1925. Marrying a fellow student from his earlier Brighton days. the illustrator Leonora Vasey, in 1934, they settled at Ditchling and remained there the rest of his life.

Knight was Vice-Principal of the Brighton College from

1959 to 1967. During the Second World War Knight strongly desired 10 join the RAF but, at the insistence of his colleagues, he remained at the college, serving part-time in Home Guard and on Civil Defence duties.

But Knight also received a wartime commission from the Pilgrim Trust to record his native Downland which he did in 40 magnificent watercolours. His views of traditional flint homes and timbered huildings in the Brighton area, as well as the lown's fine terraces, were lovingly recorded in case Germans bombs might destroy

Showing at the Royal Academy from 1924, he was elected. to the Royal Institute of Painters in Oils in 1933 and also in that year to the Royal Watercolour Society. Here he became a member in 1935. and a vice-president from 1961 to 1964. Sir William Russell-Flint once described him as "a true pillar of the Old Society."

A long series of commissions came from the Brighton architect, J L Denman, for perspective drawings, pub signs for the Kemp Town Brewery company and for stained glass windows at-Ditchling, Seaford, and St Leonards parish churches, as well as numerous murals and also works of craft and stone.

His wife predeceased him, area; he took up a teaching hut he is survived by one son.

DAVID HUGHES

Professor Dovid Leslie to the Veterinary Pathology Hughes, CBE, Professor of Veterinary Pothology of Liverpool University from 1955 to 1978, died on Moy 4 aged 77. He was born on October 26. 1912.

DAI Hughes, as he was known to the whole profession, was born in Egypt of North Wales parentage. He was educated in Britain at Merton House, Wycliffe College and the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons.

After a short spell at the Beaumont Animal Hospital, he embarked upon a research career with the aid of an Agricultural Research Council studentship. His work was principally in the field of veterinary pathology.

He later joined the Boots Pure Drug Company, and soon became head of its veterinary science division. He held this post until 1955 His first wife died in 1971. when he decided to change In 1974 he married Jean Saul; direction, and was appointed who now survives him.

Chair at Liverpool. From that time onwards, he managed to combine research, teaching, concern for his students as well as involvement in the affairs of his profession to an outstanding degree.

He served as Dean of the Faculty of Veterinary Science and Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the University from 1975-78.

Hughes became President of the British Veterinary Association in 1963. Eleven years later he was chosen as President of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons, and thus joined the small group of men who have held the presidency of both bodies.

He had also been a member of the Animals Board of the Joint Consultative Organisation for Research and Development in Agriculture and Food.

Dinners

the team of designers at the army's Experimental Bridging Bailey bridge was developed

Establishment which Briga- in five months from incep-

Bailey bridge, Without it, Italian campaign, then in Field Marshal Montgomery north-west Europe, and then

said, Britain would not have to replace bridges hlown up by

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bath. The Bailey bridge, which original interview to recruit

first drawn up - a brilliant Deputy Director of Fortifica- player.

was sturdy enough for Donald Bailey into it.

momentum.

and Miss L.M. Kennard The marriage took place on Saturday, May 12, at the Church of St Peter and St Paul, Cattistock, between Mr John Drake and Miss Lucia Kennard. The Rev Rex Hancock and the Rev Donald Lowe officiated. The bride was given in mar-riage by her brother and was attended by Henrietta and Rose de Pelet, Florence Drake, Lucy Kennard, Simon Morrison, Hector Drake, Freddie and Geordie Barrie.

A reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoon is being spent abroad. Mr H.A. Elwes and Mrs A.W. Hale

The marriage took place quietly on Monday, May 14, 1990, in Norfolk, between Henry Arthur Elwes and Anne Wilhelmina

Dr D.A. Greenwood and Mrs S.C. Jackson The marriage took place in High Wycombe, on May 5, between Dr Derek Greenwood and Mrs Sonia Jackson. A reception and

lunch followed at Hughenden Manor. Mr J. Peacock and Miss A. Walker
Mr John Peacock, Fox Farm,
Amport, Hampshire, and Miss
Angela Walker. Guildcount
House, Sandwich, Kent, were married quietly on Thursday, May 17.

Lord High Commissioner Lord Ross, Lord High Commissioner to the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland,

accompanied by Lady Ross, arrived in Edinburgh to take up residence at the Palace of Holyroodhouse and last night entertained at dinner the Speaker of the House of Com-mons and Mrs Weatherill. Among others present were:

Among others present were:
The Lord Provos of Edinburch and
Mr McLaughlin, the Moderator of the
General Assembly of the Church of
Scotland and Mrs William McDonald,
the Lord Justice-General for Scotland
and Lady Hope, the Secretary of State
for Scotland and Mrs Riffond, the
Dean of the Chapet Royal in Scotland
and Mrs Robin Barbour, Mr Ivor
Guild, Mr and Mrs William Reig, the
Rey Dr William and Mrs Morris and
Brigadier and Mrs Ian McLaughlan.

Farriers' Company The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress, accompanied the the Sheriffs and their ladies, were the guests of honour at the annual livery dinner of the Farriers' Company held last night at the Mansion House. Dr W. Derek Tavernor, Master, Mr Timothy Neligan, Upper War-den, Mr John Barsham, Middle Warden, and Sir Gordon Shanock, Renter Warden, received the guests. The Master presided and the other speakers were the Lord Mayor, the Renter Warden and Mr J.S.M. Bower, President of the British Veterinary Association.

Royal Aeronautical Society Mr G.C. Howell, President of the Royal Aeronautical Society, was host at the annual dinner held last night at the Hotel Inter-Continental. Mr R.H. Ev-ans, and Mr Cranley Onslow, MP, were the speakers.

Royal College of Radiologists Dr J.O.M.C. Craig, President of the Royal College of Radiologists, and Mrs Craig were hosts at a dinner held last night at 38 Portland Place after Professor P.J. Guillou, Professor of Sur-gery, St Mary's Hospital, London, had delivered the Crookshank lecture.

Old Warwickian Association Mr R.T.J. Holl-Allen, President of the Old Warwickian Association, presided at the Spring dinner held last night at the House of Commons, by cour-tesy of Mr Harry Greenway, MP. Mr D.E. Hanson, Dr P.J. Cheshire, Headmaster of Warwick School, and Mr Greenway also spoke.

Luncheon

British Council Sir David Orr. Chairman of the British Council, was host at a luncheon held yesterday at the Institute of Directors in honour of Professor Ahram Charles Nkabinde, Rector, University of

School news place on Saturday, June 30, Members of the O-L Society wishing to attend who have not

Cranborne Chase School "Right to Choose?" will be held at Old Wardour Castle at 2.30pm and 7.30pm on Sat-urday, June 23. Old girls and former staff are invited to one of these performances and also to a buffet supper at the school at 5,30pm, Admission to the play and/or the supper will be strictly by ticket only and applications for these should be made to the

school as soon as possible, Exeter School Exeter School announces the following second and final list of

13+ Open Scholarship: Jeremy Clarke, Exeter School (formerly Exe-ley Cathedral School (formerly Exe-ley Cathedral School), Adand & Stevens Exhibition: James Wheeler, Exeter Cathedral School, Marchali-Shirw Exhibition: Jam Wil-School (formerly Max Hodges, King's Hall, Taunton.

Worth School has made the following Awards: Scholstralitz: Joseph Maiiri, Holmswood House, Tunbridge Wells; Nicholas Desmond, Worth School, Junfor House: Alastair Lockhari, Farteigh School, Andover: Frager Moore, Farteigh School, Andover: Worth School, Junior House, Exhibitions: Thomas Cainan, Worth School Junior House; Simeon Stevens, Sioke Brunswick, East Grinslead. Wrozali Abbey School,

Warwick
The 1990 Reunion will take

dinner at HMS Nelson (Whale Island) last night. Rear-Admiral J. Garnier, Flag Officer Royal Yachts, presided. Among those present were: Vice-Admirals Sir Jock Stater and Sir Philip Watson; Rear-Admirat- Sir Paul Greening Sir Hugh Janion. Sir Bichard Trowbridge and P B Rowe and Surgeon Rear-Admirals D A Lammiman and R E Snow.

> Royal Naval Cullege Greenwich Mrs Rosie Barnes, MP, was the guest of honour at a ladies guest the Royal Naval Collee Greenwich. Commander M.P. Sauvage. Commander of the College, presided.

received nn invitation should

Officers who have served in the Royal Yachts held their reunion

contact the School Secretary.

Service dinners

Royal Yacht Officers

London and Kent Artillery The London and Kent Artillery neld at ladies' night dinner at the Royal Artillery Mess. Wool-wich, last night. Colonel D.J. McLelland presided. Major M.F. Collett, honorary sec-retary, and Colonel G.S.P. Carden also spoke.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr P.F.J. Bennett and Miss R.M. Fox

The engagement is announced between Philip, son of Dr and Mrs F.D. Bennett, of Gainesville, Florida, and formerly
of Curepe, Trinidad, and
Ruth, daughter of Mr and Mrs
J.T. Fox, of Chesterfield,
Derbyshire.

Mr T.J.St.C. Brown and Miss S.F. Talbot

The engagement is announced between Timothy John St Clair Brown, The Royal Scots
Bragoon Guards, younger son
of Capl and Mrs Kenneth
Brown, of Long Ponds, Lower
Layham, Suffolk, and Sonia
Frances, daughter of Mr and Mrs Gordon Talbot, of Audley House, Bath,

Mr C. Bryan and Miss R.A. Gilmour The engagement is announced between Christopher, son of Violet and the late Arnold Bryan, and Rosemary Anne, daughter of Jack and Margaret Gilmour, of Chichester.

Mr K.S. Cooper and Miss J. Nilsson The engagement is announced between Kevin Simon, only son of Mr and Mrs David Cooper, of Walderslade. Kent. and Johanna. daughter of Mr and

Mrs Tryggve Nilsson, of Orchro. Monsieur P.G. Grandjouan and Miss K.M. Hnrgan The engagement is announced between Pierre Guillaume, only son of M and Mme Gilles Grandjouan, of Montpellier, France, and Kate Margaret, eldest daughter of Dr and Mrs

Edward Horgan, of Mortimer.

Berkshire. Mr J.M.F. Halford

and Mrs D.M. Stewart The engagement is announced between John, only son of the late Mr and Mrs C.F. Halford, of Broughton, Hampshire, and Diana, younger daughter of Col and Mrs P. Keymer, of Burley, Hampshire,

Mr W.G. Lowe and Miss C.I. Bloodworth The engagement is announced between William, elder son of Mr and Mrs W.M. Lowe, of 22nd (Cheshire) Regiment Felden, Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire, and Catherine, elder daughter of Mr C.E. Bloodworth, of Marbella, Spain, and Mrs J. Bloodworth, of Ashley, Cheshire.

Mr C.R. Mathewson and Miss J.K. Mason The engagement is announced between Craig Raymond, son of

and Miss A.E.L. Kelly The recent engagement in Texas is announced between Ronald Frank, only son of the late Wing-Commander R.C.H. Monk and Mrs Monk, and Amelie Eloise Lisa, youngest daughter of the late Mr William F. Kelly and of Mrs Kelly, of New Orleans, Louisiana, USA.

Mr A.H. Normand and Miss S.E. Corlett
The engagement is announced

between Anthony Hill son of the late Mr Patrick Normand and of Mrs Susan Tippett, of Marondera. Zimbabwe, and Susan Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael Corlett. of Walton on the Hill, Surrey.

Mr T.A. Scott and Miss A.M. Parker The engagement is announced between Terence, elder son of Professor and the late Mrs Thomas Scott, of Ithaca, New York, and Amanda, daughter of Rear Admiral and Mrs Douglas Parker, of Lymington, Hampshire. Mr D.J. Thomas

and Miss L. Peart The engagement is announced between David, younger son of Dr and Mrs W.I.T.E. Thomas, of Brackley, Northamptonshire, and Louise, elder daughter of the late Mr T.G.A.H. Peart and of Mrs T.G.A.H. Peart, of Hurworth-on-Tees. Durbam.

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Mr G.H.G. Threifall and Mrs G.M.M. Vacher The engagement is announced between Gerald Threlfall, of Hampstead, London, and Jill Vacher, of Clapham, London-

Reception

HM Government Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Minister for Home Affairs and the Environment at the Scottish Office, was host at a reception given by Her Majesty's Government last night at Edinburgh Castle to mark the European Trade Promotion Organisations' conference.

22nd (Cheshire) Regiment Brigadier W.K.L. Prosser, Colonel of the 22nd (Cheshire) Regiment, presided at the annual Regimental Officers Association luncheon held yesterday in London.

City of London Solicitors' Company The following have been elected

officers of the City of London Solicitors' Company for the ensuing year:
Master. Mr D.L. Biddle: Senior
Warden, Mr R.H.y. Dixon; Junior
Warden, Mr J.A. Rowson.

Church services for tomorrow ST.JOHN'S. Hyde Park Crescent, W2: 8 HC: 10 Periot Euch with Sunday School, Rev R Calladean: 6.50 Eventing Working, Rev R Calladean: ST.JOHN THE BAPTEST. Holland Rd. W14: 10 LM: 11 SM. Fr C Bright: 0 V & B.

CANTERBURY CATHEDRAL: 8 HC. 9.30 S Euch: 9.30 M; 11 S Euch. Missa Festiva (Pesteri). Tantam ergo (Durutile). Rt Rev P Walker: 3.10 E & Litany in Procession. Responses (Ayleward). Murrill in E. Litany (Talkis: 6.30 Sermon & Compline. FAMILIE D.SU STATISTICA The Architector. FORK MINISTER: 8. 8.45 HC: 10 S Juch. Mismo bel Armitorit sitera Lamuni, Let all mortal flesh keep Bence (Behrinkov, Canon IV W Jacob: Lamunia Shephard), Sluti-ENCH. Missa bel Andreit sitera (Lassini, Let al mortal fiels keep sitence (Baurstow). Canon Dr W Jacobi 11.30 M. Responses (Shephard). Stanford in B fisi; 4 E. St John's Service (Toper). A song of wisdom (Stanford). Canon J Toy.

ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL: 2 MC. 10.30 M. Responses (Gibbons & Barnard). Jubilate (Wallon). Vatigitum Williams in G. Rev J Hallburton: 11.30 M. Mess (Brawinsky). Rise up my jove (Willan): 3.10 E. The Service on Plainton Tomes (Willa). Rise heart its Lord is risen (Willa). Rise heart its Lord (Willa). Rise De loyful in the Lord (Britain). Canon P Price.
WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL: 7. B.
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CATHEORAL OF ST SAVVA. Serbian Orthodox, Langaster Rd. Wi:
10.30 Divine Liturgy.
THE CHAPEL ROYAL St. James's
Palace: 8.30 HC: 11.15 MP. Blessed
be the God and Father (Wesley).
Canon M A Moson.
OLEEN'S CHAPEL OF THE SAVOY.
WC2: 11 M. Stamford in B flat.
Craster Love had no man fireland).
The Chaptain. THE CHAPPEN.

ROYAL NAVAL COLLEGE CHAPPL.

Greenwich. SE10: 8.30 HC: 11 S

Euch. God is a Spirit (Bennett). My
Solid there is a Country (Party). The

Chapten. Euch. God he Spritt (Beninett). My Soult there is a Country (Party). The Chaptain.

GUARDS CHAPEL. Welliogton Barracies. SWI: 11 M. I know that my redeemer lives of M Bach). Declare his noneur (Parcell). The fish Guards. The Chaptain: 12 Hs. The Shah Guards. The Chaptain: 12 Hs. The Chaptain: 12 Hs. The Chaptain: 12 Hs. The Chaptain: 13 Hs. The Chaptain: 14 Hs. The Chaptain: 17 Hs. The Chaptain: 17 Hs. The Chaptain: 17 Hs. The Chaptain: 18 Hs. The Balton of London.

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ST. CLEMENT DANIES (RAF Church) WC2: 9 Hc. 11 Euch. Mass in G. Schubert). Jauctont den Herren (Schubert). Jauctont (Herren Lauton). Jauctont den Herren (Schubert). Jauctont (Herren Lauton). Jauctont den Herren (Schubert). Jauctont (Herren Lauton). Jauctont (Herren Lauton).

CHRIST CHURCH, CHELSEA, SW3:
3 HC 11 S Euch, Rev S Acland,
GROSVENOR CHAPEL, South
Audiev Street: 8.15 HC: 11 S Euch,
Missa Brevis (Palestrina), O how
smilable (tweetkes), Rev A W Maris,
HOLLY TRINITY, Bronphon Road,
SW7: 11 HC, Preb J T C B Collins:
6.30 ES, Rev J A K Milliar,
HOLLY TRINITY, Prince Consort
Road, SW7: 8.30, 11 HC, Rev Dr M
Brack. HOLY TRINITY, Sleane Street, SWI: 8,30, 12,10 HC: 10,30 S Euch, Rev K

The Rector.

ST BRIDE'S, Fleet Street, EC4: 11 M & Euch, Short Service Gayrd), Missa Bel Amfarti (Lassus), Carron J Cater.

1.50 E. Responses (Tornkins), Short Service Gardens, Short Carron (Gibbons), Carnon J Cater.

ST CJTHASERT'S, Philipsach Carrons SW6: 10 HC; 11 S Euch, L'Hora Presse (Vadana), Thou trailed the earth (Greene), Rev J Vine; 6.30 Heating Service, Mr S Patilison, ST GABRIELS, Walm Lane, NW2: 11 Communion, Jesu, Joy of man's distring (Bach), Fantania in C miner (Bach). Bach). ST GEORGE'S. Bloomsbury, WCI: 10 Such, Br Thomas; 6.30 EP. ST GEORGE'S. Hamover Square, WI: 1.30 HC: 11 S Euch, Whitlock in C. O Salutaria (Elgar). Very Rev J Mc Carthy.

GLES-IN-THE-FIELDS. St. Giles

High St. WC2: 8, 12 HC: 11 Mp. Rev

C C Taylor: 0.30 EP. Rev P J C C Taylor: 0.30 EP. New P. Calloway.
ST JAMES'S, Muswett Hill. N.10: 8
MC 11 HG, Rev M Binker: 6.30 EP.
Rev M Partur:
ST JAMES'S, Piccadilly, W1: 2.30
HG, 11 S Elich: 0.45 EP.
ST JAMES'S, Suspex Cardons, W2: 8
HG, 10,30 S Euch, Missa Tempore
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O V & B.

ST LOHN THE DIVINE Vassall Rd.
SW9. 8 LM: 10 HM, Mass in A minor Hunt). O Lord increase my laith (Loosemere): 4 E & B.
ST JUHPS WOOD CHURCH, NW8: 8 HC. 9.30 Partin Communion: 11 B Euch, Set me as a Seal (Wallon). The Vicur: 6.30 Ep. Rev A Walker: ST LURES. Chekea, SW3: 8, 12.15 HC: 10.30 S Euch, Ireland in C. Rev M Buichers: 6.30 E. C. D Lord the maker (Mundy). Rev B Actand. (Mundy), Rev B Acland.

ST MARK'S, Regents Park Rd. NW1:

S NC. 10 Family Communion: 11 S

Euch, Mask in F miner. (Haustman).

When the Lord turned again (Batten).

Rev T Devonshire Jones.

ST MARGARETS. Westminster.

SWI: 11 M. Responses (Byrd). Collegium Repale (Howells). The Litary

Crallis). Hymn. other the Song of Freedom (Stanford). Rev J Barton:

12.15 NC. 12.18 MC.

ST MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS, WC2:

8. 12.50 MC; 9 46 Euch. Jesu the very
thought of They (Bairntow). Rev M.
Harmoon: 11.30 Visitors Service.
RCIBOTHES: (Bairntow). Hear my
prayer (Mendelsoohn). Fev 8 Roenuck: 2.36 Cutuese Service Graith of
Durhami. Stanford in C. Insanae et
vanoe curso (Haydat: 6.30 ES. Rev J.
Pridmore... ramore.

7 MARY ABBOTS, Kensington, WB:
12.30 HC: 9.30 S Euch. Rev A
2dy: 11.16 M. Mr N Rain: 6.30 E.
ve Vicar. ST MARY'S, Bourne Street, OW1: 9, 0.46, 7 LM; 11 HM, Missa Quo phili illectus meus (Manchitogri), Thou visinosi the earth (Greene), Ave verum (Critica (Derting), Ganon C Hill; 6.16 E ST MARYLEBONE. Maryichome Road. WI: 8 HC. II Euch. Missa Brows in F. 04602271, O Fadre nostro (Verdi). Rev. T. Rust. 6-30 E. Rev. R. Marylebone Rev. T. Marylebone Rev. T

nion, Rev E Thampson.

ST MICHAEL'S. Chester Square,

SW1: 8.15 HC. 11 MP (Cuest
Service), Rev OC L Prior. 7 E3 & HC.

Rev O C L Prior. 7 E3 & HC.

ST MICHAEL'S. Cornhill. EC3: 11

Euch. Jesus said. Fear not your

Father knoweth (Thaiben-Ball).

Arcock in B flat. There is an old belief

(Parry). ST PAUL'S. Onelow Square, SW7: 10.50 Morning Bervice, Mr J Jen. nings.
ST PAUL'S, Wilton Place. SW1; 8, 9
HC. 11 S Euch, Missa Cantale
(Shepherd). O how amiable are thy
dwellings (Vaughan, Williams), Rev N
Ruschingsver. dwellings (Vaughen Williams), Rev N Ruschmeyer.

ST PETER'S. Eaton Square. SWI; 8.16 MC: 10 Family Mass. 11 SM, Misss Sine Nontine Offssoler), in easily Edge! (Wesley), Pr D Tuber.

ST SINEON ZELOTTOS, Milione Street, Ows. 2 MC: 11 Parish Communion Stumston in Ft. We won't wait for Thy loving kindness O Lord (Mekkle), Ave vertum (Daring). Rav O Littlefair.

6.30 Rev K Yates.
ST STEPHEN'S. Goodster Road, Day K Yates.
ST STEPHEN'S. SM Missa Petra edg. Dry is toget Lobol. Surgeon France, Lobert Milion Petra edg. Dry is toget Lobol. Surgeon Lobol. Surgeon Co. Lo ST COLUMBA'S CHURCH OF SCOT-LAND, Post Street, SWI: 11 Rev H Rest: 50 Rev 5 Dunteave CROWN COURT CHURCH OF SCOT-LAND, Covent Carden, WCZ, 11.15 Rev & G Hugher, 6.30 Vivald's Gioria: THE ASSUMBTION, Warwick Street. WI: 5, 10, 12, 4, 0 LM; 11 SM, Mina Lindra Passa (Viladana), 0 Praise the Lord (Betten). Let thy merciful cars (Wasten).

Maria (List). Ave Maria (List). Brompion Road. SW7: 7, 8, 9.10, 11 Mass, Missa Srevis in B flat (Mozari). Non vos relinguam orphanos (Byrd), 12.30, 4.30, 7: 3.30 V & B. Ad reglas agui dense (Washintan). desses (N/mshinaton).

ST ETHELDREDA'S. Ely Place: 11
SM, Missa in honorom 8VM de Loreto
(Goller). Jubilale Deo (Lutz).

ST SMAPO. S. Ladonan Sireer. SW3:
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64 Controllal. Region Coeli (Webbe).

Putase to Thee Lord Jeans (Schutz).

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OUR LADY OF VICTORIES, Kensington High Street, War 8.30, 10. 12.30, 0.30 LM: 11.10 SM, Missa Brevis in O (Mozarti, Non voo relinquam orphanos (Byrd). Ave Maris (Mutray) AMERICAN CHURCH IN LONDON, Tottenham Court Rd, W1; 11 Rev Run F Ailligar. AMERICAN CHOISEN IN LONDON, TOTHINHAM COURT Rd, WI:11 Rev Run F Allbum.

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CITY TEMPLE. Holborn. ECI: 11, 630 Rev E Waugh, CHEISEA METHODIST CHURCH. King's Road. SW3: 11 HC. Rev M Braddy: 0 Ms L O'Aeth.

HINOE. STREET METHODIST CHURCH. HI:10 Rev M METHODIST CHURCH. WI: 11 Rev L Grintinster Central Hall.

KENSINGTON TEMPLE. (Charismatic). Noting Hall Gale. WI: 9, 11, 230, 630.

RECENT SOUARE PRESENTERIAN matic), Netting HRI Gale, W11: 9.11, 2.30, 6.30.

REGENT SQUARE PRESENTERIAN URC. Tavistock Place, WCI: 11, Rev K Swaine: 6.30, Piterims Praise, SALVATION ARMY (Repent Hail), Orderd St WI: 11, 0.50, 3 Mussical Programme, Malor & Mrs C Huni, Orderd St WI: 11, 0.50, 3 Mussical Programme, Malor & Mrs C Huni, ST ANNE AND ST AGNES (Lutherani, Greinam S., ECZ: 11 HC. Rev R T Englund; 7 Bach V. Concerto in B minor IVIvaldh, Rev H M Zorn, WESLEY'S CHAPEL, City Road, ECZ: 9.48 HC. 11 Morning Service, Rev P Hume: 6.30 Addersgale Service, Westminster Central Hail.
WESTMINSTER CENTRAL HALL (Activolate), SWE: 11 Rev Dr R J Tugor: 8.30 Wesley Celebrations, Vice President of Methodist Conference, WESTMINSTER CHAPEL, Buckingham Calif. SWI: 11, 6.30 Rev Dr R T Kredail. Krndafi.
WESTMINSTER MEETING SOCIETY
OF FRIENDS (Quakers), 52 St Martins
La WC2: 11, Meeting for worship.

Fay and Robert Mathewson, of Dunedin, New Zealand, and Janet Knox, youngest daughter of Daphne and Jim (A.L.) Mason, of Chiswick, London.

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Heller Hospital, Carshalton, to Helen Chee Keith) and Alick, a son, Christopher Keith Liewellyn

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BEYSEN - On May 17th, to
Sandra (née Cross) and Ian, a
daughter, Katle,
GAREY - On May 17th, to Sika
and Charles, a daughter, a
stater for Eloise,
GOATS - On Sunday May 13th
1990 to Sonia inee Miller)
and Richard, their 1st born, a
son, Adam Edward, a
healthy 9lbs 11th cos.
COLTRIAN - On May 16th, to
Margaret and Matthew, a
son, James Robert, a brother
1for William and Edward,
EYDEN - On May 10th 1990.

Son, James Robert, a brother for William and Edward.

EYBEN - On May 10th 1990. To March 1990. The March 1990 and Stroot Falconer Hall, a son. Thomas James Kenyyn.

ELICATES - On May 15th, to Lindsay (rick Dolby) and ian.

Ta daughter, Lucy Jane.

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Judith (rick Swan) and Roper, a son. Thomas Peter.

JUNIT - On April 30th, to Ruth (rick Quick) and Crais, a son. William James.

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JUNIT - On May 10th, to Flora (rick Goodbody) and Charles, a son. William Murray.

JAMASSER - On May 15th, to Rope and Arnos, a daughter, Elizabeth May, a sister for James.

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Marityn (née Scott) and
Andy, a daughter, Francesca
- Ysabel. a brother for
Cameron Fraser.

SCUREY - On May 17th. In
Sydney, to Anne (née
Lintern) and Jeremy, a
daughter, Emily Calberine, a
sister for Hana.

STRAKER - On April 27th, to

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WELLS - On May 11th, to Vicki (nee Malitand) and Ben. In Fort Knox, kentucky, a daughter, Sophie Louise Cameron. With grateful thanks to the staff of Kosair Children's Hospital LCU.
YONGE - On May 18th to Sally the Cooke) and Nicholas, a son. Cyprian Alexander. a sister for Cheriotte. · ... DEATHS

ARDAGH - On May 18th 1990.
peacefully. Joyce. Wife of
the late F.D. Ardagh G.F.S.).
beloved mother and
grandmother. Funetal
Service at Tumbridge Wells
Crematorium on Friday May
25th at 12 noon. Flowers to
Paul Bysouth Fineral
Services, Crowborough, tel:
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RATLEY - On May 16th, after a
short libress, Shelia B., late of
Woodstock Close, Oxford,
peacefully at Lowood House,
Suminphill, Widow of Fred
Balley R.A.F. and dear asser
of Mary Valentine, Funeral
Service to be held at
Easthampstead Park
Crematorium on Wednesday
May 25rd at 12.30 pm.
Engulries to Lines, Bannister
& Co., 69 High Street, Ascot,
tel: (0990) 20256. BERTRAM - On May 17th

1990. Margery Catherine Lawder, aged 80, dearly-foved sister of Audrey Alston, Colin Bertram and the late Reverend Charles Bertram and by all her nices and nephews.

COLERGO ON May 17th, peacefully in the BUPA Hospital, Portunguith, Richard Alexis, Colonel, syed 85, husband of the late Natalle, father, grandfather Natale, famer, grandatura and great-grandfather. Funeral Service on Thursday May 24th at 5 pm Portchester Crematorium. Family flowers only donations to Shipwrecked Muriners Society c/o Taylor & Wallis, 112a Castle Street, Portchester.

Portchester.

COWAN - On May 15th.
peacefully, Denis Peartck, of
Gosfield, Haislead, Essex.
Headmaster of Hutton Park
Preparatory School 19611964, He will be greatly
missed. Requiem Mass at St
Francis of Assist, Halstead, at
10 am on May 30th 1990.
followed by cremation. Donations if desired to his
favorite charity - Save the
Children Fund. R.I.P.

MAY 19

Then the Loid stretched out his hand, touched my lips and said unto me: "Listen, I am giving you the words you must speak."

BIRTHS

GAFFERATA - On May 11th, Renton - On May 18th, Randa Sud unto me: "Listen, I am giving you the words you must speak."

Jeremiah 1: 9

GAFFERATA - On May 11th, Renton - On May 18th, Randa Sud Summard Conferrata Anuch loved gount of Nicholas and Cherry Funeral on Tuesday May 22nd at Our Lady of Lourdes Church at 2 pm, Haseimerre, Surrey, Any enquiries to Church at 2 pm, Haseimerre, Surrey, Any enquiries to CM. Luff & Partners, tel: (0428; 3524.)

BROWN - On May 13th, at St. Cherry - On May 16th, In Thaving May 17th, In Thaving Control of the Charles of the Cherry - On May 17th, In Thaven - On May 17th, In Th DAYIDSON - On May 16th 1990, peacefully at home, aged nearly 94 years. Alice 10 0°, devoted friend to the Dugdale family since 1910.

de ABELA-BORG - On May

15th. peacefully in hospital.

Marquis Lewis de Abela-Borg

K.G.C. O.S.C. B.A.

F.I.E.E., F.I.L. M.LEX.

Mightly respected and much
loved granditather of Lewis,

Elizabeth and Eric and much
loved granditather of Janice,

Jeremy (Jeri) and Nigel.

Funeral Service to take place

on May 25th el 5t Pancras

Cemetery at 11.30 am,

Flowers to Levertoa & Sons

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Street. Hendon Niva 2ED

Obelore 10 am), or if

preferred donations to

imperial Cancer Research.

GARDINER - On May 17th 1990, peacefully and with great dignity at home. Mariabella Honnor thee Hodgkin, aged 82, Funeral Wednesday May 23rd at 5.30 pm. St Andrew's Church, Fontmell Magna, Flowers to Merefield & Henstridge, Ridgemont, Melbury Abbas, near Shaftesbury, Dorset.

STABLESTING, DOTSEL.

HERBERT - On May 16th,
Cwyneth May Price (Bits)
Herbert, widow of Arthur,
hoving mother of Roger and
Shan of Brynmarials,
Ammanford Resting at the
private chapet of Hywel
Criffiths and Sons, Betws,
until the funeral on Tuesday
May 22nd, Service for
family and friends at
Swansea Crematorium at 11
am. Family wreaths only,
donations in lieu if so desired
to Save the Children kindly
received by Hywel Criffiths
and Sons Funeral Directors,
57 Betws Road, Ammanford,

57 Betws Road, Ammanford, PRUGHES - On May 17th, peacefully in hospital at Rugby, Morwenna Margaret the Booth). Dearly beloved wife of John and loving mother of Jonathan and Philippa, greatly missed. Funeral Service at Rugby United Reformed Chorch, Friday May 25th at 11.15 am, followed by family cremation, No flowers, but donations if desired for Myton Hospice, Walsgrave Cancer Ward Appeal or Rugby and District Cancer Concern; to Towers & Son Funeral Directors, Church Street, Crick, NN6 TTP.

MASTERS - On May 12th.
Anthony H. (Tony) Film
Production Designer.
suddenly in the South of
France. Much loved by all
who knew hitm and his wife
Heather and sons Adam.
Glies and Dominic. Gites and Dominic.

ROBERTS - On May 16th
1990. The Revd. Roger L.
Roberts C.V.O. of Thorn
Farm Cottage. Chagford.
Devon. sped 78 years.
Former Chaptain of The
Queen's Chaptel of The
Savoy.
Headmaster of Blundell's
School and Editor of Church
Times. Loving and beloved
husband of the late Katte.
Father of the late I sate.
John. Martin and David.
Funeral Service at Chagford
Parish Church on Wednesday May 23rd at 12.30 pm.
Family Inowers only.
Donations in lieu of lowers.
If desired, in Chagford Parish

TRICHER - On May 17th. In inverness, Ronald Stanley. husband of Adelaide and father of Anne. Nigel and Jill. Funeral at Portree an May 19th. Donations if desired to Highland Hospice, inverness. VAN SCHAARDEMBURG - On May 16th. Strain Jane. VAN SCHAARDÉAIBURG - On May 16th, Susan Jane, trogically in Maida Yale, London, at ege 30 years. So very much loved by family and Intends. Private cremation service on May 22nd, Flowers to E.H. Langley, Chippenham Road, Paddington, Thanksgiving Service to be held at St John's Wood Church on Wednesday May 23rd, 2,30 pm.

MEMORIAL SERVICES PRITCHARD - Sir John. A memorial tribule will be held at 11 am on Thursday May 24th at St James' Church. Piccadilly.

IN MEMORIAM ---PRIVATE NICHOLSON - William Lothian May 19th, 1972 Remember-ing with love, Nora. David, Carolyn and Flona.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS EYDEN thee Byrnel. Congratula-tions Maureen and Barry on the birth of Daniel Richard. 1 Oth May 1990. Love Lorraine. Richard and Jon.

KING ETHELRED 'The Upready' owned Suddery Castle. 'See travel page for more details '. STUDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

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KIMM - On May 17th 1990, at Ninewells Hospital, Duthdee, Eric Thomson King J.P. of Millifeld, Strathmilgio, dearty loved busband of Anne Ingilis and devoted falter of Frances and Eric. Fumeral Service in Strathmilgio Parish Church on Wednesday May 23rd at 2 pm to which all friends are invited, thereafter in Strathmilgio Cemelery. Family flowers only please. Donations if desired to Dundee University Medical School c/o Bank of Scotland, Auchtermuchty.

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ON THIS DAY

**** When the poet and novelist, George Meredith OM (1828-1909) died he

was a revered man of letters, admired by such writers as Thomas Hardy, Henry James and R L Stevenson, tienry James and K L Stevenson, and his reputation stood high well into the present century, but the intricacy of much of his prose and its tendency to opacity is said to present obstacles to the appreciation of his work by many modern readers.

George Meredith

It is difficult to realize that George Meredith is dead. He lived for 81 years; for more than half a century his intellectual force had been active in the midst of us; during his later years his published works were few a noble poem or a generous letter contributed to these columns, such as the tribute to Swinburne which was published here above the easily recognizable initials "GM" a few days after his fellow-poet's death. Yet his living presence was always felt among us. The mind travelled often to the house at Box Hill, where the once great walker, great talker, great writer, the poet with the noble head. the keen-eyed, keen-tongued foe of pretence and folly, watched with almost unabated interest the life of which so many different features appealed to him, from cricket to tragic love, from old wine to contemporary politics. It will long be difficult to believe that that great brain is at rest, that there is no George Meredith in the flesh to spur men to endeavour, or to laugh at them for their good. Not only in his them for their good. Not only in his written works, however, has he left counsel and example. His public he conquered slowly and with difficulty. He never leaped into fame, but climbed to it, with many a sethack, along an inhospitable path. Yet in the end he achieved the position of the greatest man of letters of his age, the greatest man of letters of his age, a position disputed, if at all, by the

poet whose death we mourned a month ago; and he achieved that position by the exercise of the two qualities to which he pinned his high faith for the future of humanity, the intellect and the will. The present is hardly the occasion to discuss anew the much discussed question of the obscurity of his style in prose and With George Meredith passes the last of the Victorian giants, and as

such his fitting resting place is Westminster Abbey. It is no disparagement to the poets, novelists, or critics of a later day to say that not one of them is the equal of the author of the "Hymn to Colour." "The Ordeal of Richard Feverel," and the "Fesay oo Comedy." They would be among the first to acknowledge their indebtedness to the great artist, and still more to the great philosopher. It is a noteworthy fact that, though the students of George Meredith (all statistics of sales notwithstanding) remained comparatively few in num-ber, his philosophy has penetrated, through the works of younger writers. B very large section of the public. Moreover, justice cannot be done to his achievement, unless it is recognized that throughout, in the idyli of Richard and Lucy, in the layif of Richard and Lucy, in the huge laughter of "The Shaving of Shagpat," in the acute criticism of the essay oo "Comedy." oo less than in the most didactic chapter in his oovels or in "The Woods of Westermain" and "A Night of Frost in Mars". Marship was a parabet in May", Meredith was a prophet, charged with an urgent message. That message was not so much any original interpretation of the past, or any particular process of laying by for the future, as the right use of the present. Of the past, indeed, he had a clear conception. He saw it as man's "emergence from brutishness," chiefly through the development and refinement of his affections. On the subject of the future he was reticent. Nature, as he said in his greatest novel, perhaps his greatest poem, "Modern Love," plays for seasons, not eternities; and man would be well advised to do the same.

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SATURDAY'S TELEVISION AND RADIO

BBC 1

6.40 Open University 7.30 Playdays (r) 7.50 The Muppet Bables (r) 8.15 The 8.15 from Manchester. The

children's show plays its part in the European initiative, One World, an attempt to highlight world environmental issues. In the studio are young singers and dancers from Soweto, who perform exerpts from their play Where is My Sun?

10.50 Film: Beneath the 12 Mile Reef (1953) starring Robert Wagner and Terry Moore. Fast-moving undersea adventure, one of the first to use CinemaScope, about competing sponge divers off the Florida coast. Directed by Robert D. Webb 12.25 **Neather**

12.30 Grandstand introduced for the first time by a woman - Helen Rollason. The line-up is (subject to alteration): 12.35 Football: a look at the teams in Group E of the World Cup; 1.00 News; 1.05, 2.05, 2.35, 3.05, 3.35 and 4.00 Tennis: semi final action in the women e German International championships from Berlin: 1.55. 2.25, 2.55 and 3.25 Racing from Newbury; 3.45 Racing from the Curragh: the Airhe/Coolmore Irish 2.000 Guineas; 4.45 Final Score 5.05 News with Moira Stuart. Weather

5.15 Regional News and Sport 5.20 Stay Tooned! Tony Robinson pays tribute to the cartoone made by Chuck

BBC 2

Sketching 7.15 The Origins of State Social Work 7.40 The National Grid

Learning Maths Together 11.00

2.20 The Plough and the Hoe: A

illage in the Bihar

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Progress 1.30 Modern Art: Cubism
1.55 Introductory Electronics: Feedback
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episode of the 91-part drametization of India's great epic poem, Bishma

refuses to break his vow, so Vyaasa

of two films starring Paulette Goddard, who died tast month. She plays an

English girl convict who is deported to

the American colonies just before the war for independence. After several

collaborator, she meets, falls in love with and marries Gary Cooper. As one

contemporary critic put it: "this film is a five million dollar celebration of Gary

Cooper's vinlity, Paulette Goddard's

femininity, and the American frontier epint". Directed by Cecil B. DeMille

Goddard's best vehicles, taking her career in a fruitful new direction as a

showers of arrows, heroic deeds,

tears and the capture of an Indian

agrees to marry the two widowed incesses in order that the royal house

of Bharat may continue. Starring Mukesh Khanna and Rajesh Vlvek, In Hindi with English subtitles 3.30 Film: Unconquered (1947). The first

6.50 Open University: Maths -- Curve

Jones, including Bugs Bunny and 5.45 The Flying Doctors, in this week's episode of the variable Australian

medical drama Geoff decides to be cruel to be kind lowards a young stroke victim who refuses to help herself (Ceefax) Wales: Youth Session 6.30 Opportunity Knocks, Les Dawson introduces another line-up of young talent all hoping to make the big time (and knowing that few of them will). This

week sees two singers, a five strong

dancing group, a comedian, a magician



Into a man's world: Helen Rollason (12.30pm) 7.20 Three Up, Two Down. Fittully entertaining stoom starring Michael Elphick and Angels Thome as incompatible in-laws torced to share e flal (rj. (Ceefax)

vivacious comedienne after she had

Scarlett O'Hara Io Vivien Leigh. Thateaming of Goddard with Bob Hope,

been known mainly as the gamme of Chaplin's Modern Times and one of the actresses who lost the part of

both of them taking their first star perts, worked so well that it was repeated

the lollowing year in a similar film, The Ghost Breakers. The key to their success was the infusion of their light

comedy, in Hope's case a string a nervous gags tailored to his character of a radio comedian, into e horror film

Nugent it is the much perodied Old Dark House plot, with Goddard as an

with several memorably chilling momente. Briskly directed by Elliott

heiress who must survive in a spooky mansion until dawn to claim her

inheritance (Ceefax)
7.05 Newsview. Moira Stuart with today's

news and sport; Lynette Lithgow

reviews the week's news in pictures wit subtitles. Weather

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7.50 The Leningrad Legend. The story of
the Kirov Ballel which, due to its
isolation, has maintained the purest
tradition of classical ballet. The company

begins a tour of the UK next month. Natalia Makarova narrates (r)

made by Spike Ambrose, whose spikey

blande hair provides her nickname, and Clinton Smith from Trinidad. They

are among 18 young people who

have found refuge in a hostel for homeless teenagers in the King's

than being the victims of broken

Cross area of London. But this is no

story of despair. Both have chosen to stay away from their parents, rather

homes, and they are using the hostel as a base from to find their own flats.

a case from to find their own teach Clinton is studying for A levels at a sixth form college and hopes to go on to university, while Spike is an aspiring photographer. Their "diary" is an unaffected and often humorous study of

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9.00 Video Diaries: Splke and Clinton.

Tonight's amateur video was

7.50 Film: Perry Mason — The Case of the Sinister Spirit (1988) starring Raymond Burt, Barbara Hale and William Katt. This week the obese attorney is called in to defend a publisher accused of killing one of his authors. The man was found dead after inviting an odd assortment of guests to a supposed haunted house for a weekend. Directed by Richard Land. (Ceefax) 9.25 News with Michael Buerk, sport and

9.45 Casualty. Among the cleverly spliced plot lines in tonight'e helping of the realistic hospital drame are e charity ball held to raise money for the children'e ward andan uncomplaining elderly patient waiting in the corridor while the staff by to find her a bed (r). (Ceelax)

10.35 Paramount City. The craggy Arthur Smith is the host, Paramount City.

Theatre is the venue and Steve . Coogan, Fred Stroller and Emo Philips are the acts in this stand-up

comedian show
11.15 Film: Silver Bears (1977) Michael
Caine and Cybill Shepherd star in a
lightweight tale of financial intrigue. A Las Vegas Mafia man has the task of laundering ill-gotten gains but discovers that his contact has squandered the money in a dubious business deal. At least that is the gist of it, but clear plotting is not the film'e strong point. Directed by Ivan Passer. (Ceefax) 1.05-1.10am Weather, Ends al 1.10 am

Life as a teenager: Clinton Smith (9.00pm)

9.45 Saturday Night Ctyde. Clare English goes behind the scenes at Glasgow's international festival, the Maylest, to serve up a healthy feast of music,

theatre, comedy and cabaret. Si

Cosgrove looks et the work of Gorbals pholographer Joseph Mackenzie.

Film: All Quiet on the Western Front (1979) starring Richard Thomas, Ernest Borgnine, Donald Pleasence and Patricia Neal. A poor remake of the 1930 original, which tries to

introduce e Vietnam-type Image to the

is based on the growing dissillusionment of a young German soldier on the

Western Front. Originally designed to demonstrate the futility of war, this version ends up demonstrating the futility of war film remakes, Directed by Detbert Mann. Ends at 1.00am

First World War trenches. The story

their lives and those of their friends,

experiences as drugs, gigs and music. It the narrative is rough-edged, not always coherent, then that is a fair price to pay for honesty and treshness.

ITY LONDON

6.00 TV-am 9.25 Ghost Train. The guests include Rene Zagger from Grange Hill, Hothouse Flowers and the Pasadenas. There is also a 50th birthday inbute to Bugs Bunny and the Chimes's latest video

11.30 The ITV Chart Show. The Vintage Video slot is filled by Bill Joel 12.30 Huckleberry Finn and His Friends. More escapades involving Mark Twain's young hero and his chums

1.00 News with Nicholas Owen. Weather 1.05 LWT News and weather 1.10 Coronation Street (r) 2.05 Film: Ellis (sland (1984). A made-fortelevision epic, originally a seven-hour mini series. The weary saga of a group of immigrants who arrive in New York City in 1907, coming ashore at Ellis Island. The ill-assorted group includes an embittered Russian Jew

a poor Italian farmer and two young

going blind. The star-etudded but

equally ill-assorted cast includes

sisters from Ireland - one of whom is

Faye Dunaway, Stubby Kaye, Claire Bloom and Richard Burton. Directed by Jerry London 5.00 News and weather 5.05 LWT News

and weather 5.15 The incredible Hulk. Children's adventure serial starring Bill Birby and Lou Ferrigno star as the nice guy and his monster after ego this evening coming to the aid of a runsway

schoolgirl whose high tO does not compensate for the lack of a

mother's love (r) 6.10 Cannon and Ball's Casino. The start of a new senes featuring comedy, music and big prizes, presented by the diminutive duo. With a welcome helping hand are Big Country, Paul

Squire and Roxette 6.55 Wayne Dobson — A Kind of Magic Wayne Dobson and Linda Lusardi discover the secret of Pandore's Box on location in Greece, and Ringo Rabbit ittempts a tittle mind reading

7.25 The Two of Us. Pleasant domestic comedy series starring Nicholas Lyndhurst and Janet Dibley. This week they have their palms read and become unnerved when minor

predictions come true. (Oracle)
7.55 Murder, She Wrote: Appointment in Athens. Angela Lansbury is Jessica. Fletcher, the crime writer turned reallile sleuth who embarks on another case which defies detection. A chance encounter in Paris with a British agent results in her tollowing a trait of espionage to Athens. With Richard Todd and Ian Ogstry. (Oracle) 8.50 News with Nicholas Owen, sport and weather 9.05 LWT Weather

9.10 Taggart - The Movie. A featurelength episode starring Mark McManus as the dour Glasgow detective investigating a series of deaths by poison the victors of which have the common link of Wonderland Products. With James Macpherson and lain Anders (r). (Oracle)

11.40 internetional Football - Scotland v Poland. Ellon Welsby introduces themendly warm-up match which will, it is hoped, help Scotland to prepare for the start of the World Cup and recover from Wednesday's defeal at the hands of unregarded Egypt. The commentator is Brian Moore

12.40am Film: Cattle Annie and Little Britches (1979) starring Burt Lancaster Amanda Plummer and Diana Lane. In t893 the ruthless Doolin-Dalton gang is leaving a trail of robbery and corruption behind them. Then two innocent Eastern girls join the gang and inspire them to more crimes. Despite an excellent cast, this enjoyable Western sunk without trace. probably because the genre was out of vogue at the time. Directed by

2.25 Film: A Death of Innocence (1971) starring Shelley Winters, Tishe Sterling and Arthur Kennedy. The simple, orderly life of a small-town housew rocked when her only daughter is accused of murder. Despite the shock she rallies to her daughter's defence, only to suffer from growing double surrounding the girl's innocence. Interesting, but scarcely onginal. Directed by Paul Wendkos 3.45 Racing Yachts 4.05 The Hit Man and Her. The coolest

sounds from the hottest discos with Pete Waterman and Michaela Strachan

5.05 ITN Morning News with Gillian Carter. Ends at 6.00

7.00 The World This Week includes an

6.00 Comic Book 7.00 Kaboodle 7.30 International News 8.00 Transworld Sport . 9.00 Channel 4 Racing: The Morning

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9.25 Australian Rules Football. The first

of a new series 10.30 Listening Eye: Working Lives. This programme for people who are hard of nearing looks all job opportunities around the country (r). (Oracle) 11.00 Check Out. A repeat of last week's programme on consumer affairs.

11.30 Wagon Train (b/w) 12.30 California Officiat. This new series takes a close book at America's so-called Golden State, It is said that California is not so much a state but a etate of mind. Reporter Wayne
Freedman explores the various types of
noise that Californians include in:
from the noise of traffic to Candiestick
Park, where Californians go to let off

12.55 Film: Young Bess (1963) starring Charles Laughton, Deborah Kerr and Stewart Granger. The young life of Elizabeth I and her relationship with Tom drama, which pays only lip service to historical fact. The etrong cast makes the most of a rather droll script.

Directed by George Sidney.

3.05 Channel 4 Racing from Newmarket and the Curragh. The 3.10, 3.40, 4.10 and 4.40 from Newmarket and the 3.55 (Airlie/Coolmore Irish 2,000 Guineas) from the Curregh 5.05 Brookside Omnibus (r). (Oracle)

6.00 Right To Reply
6.30 Gallery. George Melly hosts the
popular quiz which allows celebrities to
show off their artistic knowledge. This week it is the turn of painters Harry Holland and Fred Ingrams and the actress Shirley Ann Field

interview with the Romanian Prime Minister Petre Roman 8.00 Kingdom of the Deep: Humpback Whates, the Gentle Gients.

Tonight's offenng from the archives of Anglie's Survival senes teatures the humpback whales. filmed in the clear blue waters off Hawaii and in their teeding grounds in Glacier Bay, Alaska. They are intelligent creatures, possessing e brain five times as large as yours or mine, and they produce a curious sound that sounds as if they they are singing. Divers manage to get within a few feet of the whales to record these

"songs", which are intriguingly analysed. As always with wildlife documentaries, this one is a visual treat. Among much spectacular tootage is that taken in Glacier Bay as the whates are disturbed by tourist ships. The whales respond in flamboyant style, leaping clear of the water and smacking the surface of the water with their flippers and tails 9.00 thirtysomething. American comedy

drama series 10.00 Film; Mahler (1974) starring Robert Powell, Georgina Hate and Richard Morant. Biopic on the composer Gustev Mahler, which makes elaborate use of fantasia-type imagery to retrace the life of the Jewish composer from e perspective which is very personal to the director, Ken Russell One of Russell's more measured and affective films. The music, needless to

say, is terrific 12.10am Angels and Devils Even it he gives quite a lot of them Ken Russell is always good for an interview, since the most innocuous questions are likely to provoka completely unexpected replies. His questioner Simon Groom seems to be on firm ground when he echoes the widely held view that Russell's best film

is Women in Love. Poor Simon.

Russell retorts that it is one of his worst, a Readers' Digest version of Lawrence's novel. When Groom wonders what qualities Russell looks tor in an actress, back comes the answer: "someone who is not too expensive" But here of course he is only kidding and he does offer perceptive analyses of two actresses he particularly admires, Glenda Jackson en Turner. Trying to cover 17 films (not to mention the television documentaries) in half an hour is an impossible task and much has to be



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Russelt's Mahler: Robert Powek (10.00pm)

left out. It is still strange there is no mention of Mahler, which is not only interesting in itself but is being shown immediately before this interview 12,45 On the Other Hand: The magazine show, aimed primanly at Britain's Asian community, tackles the controversial

subject of the growth of Islamic

community
. 1,45 The Mysteries of Edgar Wallace: Number Six (1962, b/w), More B picture capers as agent number six is assigned to follow the crook Charles Valentine, who is too smart to fall for that sort of thing. Directed by Robert Tronson. Ends at 2.50

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RADIO 1

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WORLD SERVICE

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7.00 Morning Concert.Offenbach Overture: Orpheus in Underworld, Philharmonia/Neville Marriner, Aguado Agadio Op 2 No 1, Julian Bream, Handel Concerto grosso in B flat, Op 3 No 1, Academy of St Martin/Neville Marriner

7.30 News Walton: Comedy overture: Scapino, LSO/Andre Previn, Liszt Mazeppa, Jorge Bolet (piano). Schubert Ballet Music No 1 in B minor (Rusamunde), Leipzig Sewardinasi, Mastr. Harbeit Sonata, Cp 7 No 1a, Michaia Petri (recorder), George Malcolm (harpsichord), Johann Shauss (son) Tales from the Vienna Woods, Vienna PO/With Boskovsky

8.35 Ulster Orchestra, conductor Simon Joly, Richard Howarth (violin). Amold Four hish Dances, Oo 126 (tirst broadcast). Vaughan Williams Concerto accademico.

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Band.conductor Elgar
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Cornet Concerto.

Musorgskyarr Howarth Pictures et an Exhibition Pictures et an Erhibition
2.10 Brighte Fessbaender (mezzo-sograno), Helmut Deutsch (piano). Schubert Rustkose Lebe; Der König in Thule; Greichen am Spinnede; Am Flusse (D766); Hoffman (D295); Der Musensohn; Die Tauberpost; Sehnsucht (1979): Der Wenderer an den raupa goot, oantsuch (19879): Der Wanderer an den Mond; Wiegenlied (1967); Bei der allein! Brehms An die Nachbyali; Da unten im Tale; Mädchenlied, Op 107 No 5; Es

hing der Reit; Herbstgefühl Auf dem Kirchhole Four Senous Songs 3.25 Amsterdam Baroque, director

Ton Koopman: Mozart Diversimento in D (K136): Andante in C Isolo flute: Wilbert Hazetzel), Symphony No 27, Haydn Symphony No 4.30 Debut: Cann Twins (pianos).

Timothy Blinco Gemini, Ravet Repsodie espagnole, Shoetakovich Concertino S.00 Jazz Record Requests with Peter Clayton 5.45 Critics' Forum. Richard Mayne (in the chair) talks with Owen budley Edwards, Ronald Hayman and Sarah Keni on: Cecil Jenkims's radio play Chizen Sade (R3), The Pursuit of the Real (Barbican A1

Gallery), Palrice Leconle's film Monsieur Hire, In the Ruins, by Nick Dear (Royal Court), Nick Dear (Floyal Court),
Selected Letters of Brecht,
edited by John Willett
6.35 Clarinel and Piano. Colin
Lawson, Erik Levi. Koechtin
Clarinel Sonata No 2, Op 86.
Witted Josephs Piano Piace,
Op 114
7.00 From the Moura

7.00 from the House of the Dead.
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Janaček, to a lext based on
Oostoyevsky, live from the
Théatre Royal de la Monnau,
Brussels (sung in Czech). Filka
Morosov, known as Luka
Kuzmich, Kurt Schreibmayer
(lepo): Jail convol. Thomas (lenor); left convict, Thomas Dewald lienor); short convict Bodo Schwanbeck [bass); camp commandant, Malcolm King (bass), Geryanchikov, Date Duesing (barrione), old convict, Raccardo Cassinelli (lennor): Skuratov, Ronald Hamitton (lenor); Aleya, Stefanie Rhaue (soprano). Chorus and orchestra of la

Mornale/Cambreling
9.00 The Talking Out of Tarrington
by Saki. Reader Peter Howell
9.05 Lindsay Quartet. Haydn String
Quartet in D, Op 76 No 5 Cuarrier in U. Up 10 No 5 Douglas Young Mr Klee Visits the Batanical Gardens (linst perl) Beethoven Cuartel in A, Op 132

10.30 Sludio 3. Sweet Tooth by Mel Calman. George and Alice long to be adulterous lovers, but their trustrating meetings in a team room are ide threatening to the Rum Baba. With Richard Griffiths, Dennis Lawson and Morag Hood (r) 11,00 Alan Gravill. Brahms Theme and Variations (String Sextet, Op 18) erranged for piano; Sonata No 3 in F minor, Op 5 12,00-12,05am Naws.

RADIO 4

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Prayer for the Day Is) 6.55
Weather 7.00 Today, incl 7.00,
7.30, 8.00, 8.30 News; 7.55,
8.58 Weather 8.35 Yeslerday

in Parliament 9.05 Sport on 4 presented by Cliff

Morgan

9.30 Breakaway, Holiday and Iravel news and views presented by Bernard Fatk and Nigel Coombs

10.00 News; Loose Ends: fastmoving blend of news, opmons and mickey-laking, hosted by Ned Sherm, and teaturing Richard Jobson, Arthur Scettand, Emma Fieud

and guests (s)
11.00 News: The Week in
Westminster: a review of
happenings with comme and interviews, presented by Robin Oakley, political editor of *The Times* 1.30 From Our Own Corresponden

12.00 Money Box, with Louise Botting and Vincent Duggleby 12.25pm The News Quiz hosted by Barry Took and teaturing Alan Coren, Richard Ingrams and Ian Histop (st 2.55 Weather

1.00 News
1.10 Any Duestions? Jonathan
Dimbleby in Banchory.
Scotland, with panellists
Holena Kennedy, Ian McIntyre,
Sir David Steel MP and Alex.
Salmond MP
2.00 News, Any Answers? Jonathan
Dimbleby takes viewers' Calls
on issues raised in Any
Disselbone? (071.580.4411)

uestions? (071-580 4411) 2.30 Time of Their Lives. Solstice, e biographical play by Jo Anderson, set in London of 1873, and based on line life of Vincent van Gogh (1)

4.00 The Living World. David Streeter and Derek Jones seek evidence of the glanvi Intiliary on the Island of Sark 4.30 Science Now. Alun Lewis on nano-technology, the

lascinating science of miniscule engineering that could become big business Conversation Piece. Sue 5.00 Con MacGregor talks to Sir Roger Pembroke College, Oxford. 5.25 Week Ending. Often bring.

satincal review of the week's news, with Bill Walks, David Tate, John Badd 5.50 Shipping Forecast

5.55 Weather 6.00 News; Sports Round-up Comibus edition (s) 6.25 Citizens: Omnibus edition 7.10 Ad Lib. Robert Robinson pubs and clubs around the country

7.45 Saturday Night Theatre: South by South East by Adam
Peterson. Interplay between two lormer schoolfriends, one successful, the other not. Stars Derek Howard and

Christopher Quinn (s) 9.00 Music In Mind; Brian Kay with e selection of melodies (s) 9.50 Ten to Ten. A reading, hymi

and a reflection, led by Canon John Oates (s) 9.59 Weather 10.00 News 10.15 Open Mind. A discussion about discipline in Britain's schools. Are liberal policies

preeding an anti-social generation, or are schoolchildren simply much as they were? 10.45 Ottoman Adventure. The Journey Homeward, Novelist Joseph Hone's story of his recent travels in Turkey. He

discovers a Georgian shanging la high in the mountains and goes in search of the Towers of Trebizond 11.00 Richard Baker Compares Notes with three young Scandinavian musicians — Dan Laurm, Ashidur Hara/dsdottir and Jan-Erik

Gustafsson (s) 11.30 At Home With the Hardys: Surprise, Surprise, More hitanous comedy with Kil Holterbach, Jeremy Hardy, Paul B. Davies and Caroline Leddy. This week, someone, somewhere is having an affair
— and Paul's doing the

calering (s) 12.00 News, incl 12.20 Weather 12.33am Shipping Forecast

1.55pm-2.00 Programme News
4.30-6.00 Options 4.30 Education
Malters: a special from Hungary 5.00
Get Writing, with George Evans.
Michelle Magonan and Chins Powling
S.30 Speak For Yourself. Looking Good. John Campbell's guide to public speaking

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SATELLITE

SKY ONE 6.00em Barrer Reet 6.30 The Flying Kiwi 7,00 Fun Fectory 11.00 The Bionic Women 12.00 Frank Bough's World 1.00pm Black Sheep Squadron 2.00 Wresting Challenge 3.00 The Man from Alfanth 4,00 Chopper Squad S.00 The Love Boat 6.00 Film. The Leutenant Wore Starts A women jums the WAF to be with her husband in the Air Force, selve for the beautiful and she's only to find he's been rejected and she's now signed up for life. Staming Tom Ewell and Sheree North 9.00 Film Maybe (h Come Home in the Spring An emotionally con-fused teenager runs away from home to join a hippy commune. Starring Jackie Cooper and David Carradine. 9.30 The Hitchinder. 10.00 Superstars of Wrestling. 11.00 Sky World News Tonight. 11.30 The Uniouchables Delective series chromolog the adventures of Eliot Ness and his

SKY NEWS

News on the hour 5.30am Motor Sports News 6.30 Newstine 7.30 Beyond 2000 8.30 Frank Bough This Wook 8.30 Rowing Report 10.30 Motor Sports News 11.30 Beyond 2000 12.30pm

Fashion TV 1.30 Roving Report 2.30 Motor Sports News 3.30 Our World 4.30 Beyond 2000 5.30 Entertainment This Week 6.30 Fashion TV 7.30 Roving Report 9.30 Our World 10.30 Entertainment this Week 11.30 Fashion TV 12.30am The Best of Target 1.30 Motor Sports News 2.30 Entertainment This Week 3.30 Those Were the Days 4.30 Reyond 2000

SKY MOVIES

From 8,00am The Shopping Channel 2,00pm Inhumanoids Animaled st 4.00 Carry On Camping | 1972). Starring Sci James, Kenneth Williams Barbara Windsor James, Kerneth Williams Barbara Windsor and Charles Hawtrey
6.00 Campus Man (1997) An enterprising student complets an all-male pin-up calendar, which quickly becomes a national trace-staming John Dye, Steve Lyon and Katrisen Wilhoute.
7.40 Entertainment Tonight
8.00 Something is, Out Thems (1988)-Concluding enserted of the common interferonceding enserted of the common interferonceding. Concluding episode of the science betton thriller Starring Maryam D'Abo and Jos

10.00 Throw Momma from the Traco

(1987) Two aspoing writers, both launted by women decide to awap marders. Starting Danny Debite and Billy Crystal 11.30 They're Playing with Fire (1994)" An

8.40 UK Too 10

English teacher lures one of her young students into epilot to murder her mother mothe law for an inheritance. Starring Enc Brown 1.15 promised (1987); 1.15 tronspect (1987):
Two vegrants are fraunted by their past as they struggle to survive on the mean streets in a world where the odds are continually stacked against them. One makes a final altempt to drug himself out of the gutter. Starming Mentyl Straep and Jack Nicholcon. 4,00 Heart (1987) A down-and-out boxer plans a big comeback, Starming Brad Davis.

EUROSPORT

6,00 As Sky One 9.00 BMX. Sount and cross-6,00 As Sky One 9.00 BMX. Stant and cross-country cycling action 9.30 Backetost 11,00 Australian Rules Football 12,00 That Kick Boxing 12.30 Terms The Lutthanse cup in Serbn 3.30 Trans World Spart 4.30 Motor Sport: The third round of the German Formula Three Motor Racing Champion-ship5,00 Drag Racing 6.00 Hockey 7.00 Boung 9.00 Basketbalt The National Bas-reliati Association playoffs, from the United States 10.30 Tennie The Lutthansa Cup in Berlin

LIFESTYLE

SCREENSPORT BSB: THE MOVIE CHANNEL 7.00am Athletics B.30 Argentinan Footbas 19.00 Torms 11.30 Windser Horse Show. The Albertatic Gentleman's Jumping

12.30pm ice Hockey 2.30 Wide World of Sport: Indy Time Triuls 3.30 Horse Recing: Live coverage of the Insh Two Thousand Guness 4.00 Meter Sport Indy Time Trials Surfaces 4.00 modes sport what time thats 5.00 Cycling Tour de Trump 6.00 Wide World of Sport The Pinton Spocal Horse Race 6.30 Powersports International 7.30 tea Hockey 10.00 Horse Racing 11.00 US Phylassonial Boung 12.30am TV Sport 1.00 Windsor Horse Show 3.00 Major League Basebell 5.00 Wide World of Sport 6.00 Motor Sport

MTV

Twenty four hours of rock and pop

12.00 Reder Men Irom More
12.30pm Ensign O Toole 1.00 Zomo's
Frighting Legion 1.30 One Step Beyond 2.00
Champonarity Rodos 2.45 Video Review
Show 3.00 Wresteng 4.00 Edge of Night
6.00 The Self-a-Vision Shopping Channel

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and Will Geer star in the story of the Messah rotuming as a black man 2.20 The Jazz Singer (1953) Slaming Peggy Lee 4.00 A Fine Mess (1986) Farcical tale of two men who get mixed up with lacetrack gemblers. Staming Tod Danson and Howe Mandel 8.00 Guess Who's Coming to Dinner (1967). A wealthy liberal couple have then principles put to the lest when there

ighter announces she is going to marry a inquished black doctor. Staming Spencer Tracoy and Kathanne Hepburn
8,00 Groce Outgley (1984) An old woman
hites a professional to bump her off Staming
Kathanne Hepburn and Nick Note
10,00 Fatel Beauty (1987) An undercover
cop goes after a consignment of posoned
cocaine. Steming Whoopi Goldberg
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GALAXY

Galary Club Show 12.00 Jugater Moon 1.30pm Doctor Who 2.00 Cool Cube 5.00 Grange H4 5.30 Kids: Court 6.00 The Goodes 6.30 Til Death Do Us Part 7.00 Maude 7.30 Intellect 9.00 Nightingates 9.00 Hill Street Blues 10.00 Jools Holland's Happening 11.30 Naked City 12 nn Danger in Paradise

THE SPORTS CHANNEL

Open in Rome 12.00 Australian Rur League 1.25am Sports desk 1.30 Rai 1oday 2.00 Motor World 2.30 Romball (US Wresting 6.00 Sportsdesk 6.30 On Two Wheels 7.30 Sportsdesk 8.30 On Two Wheels 7.30 Sportsdesk 8.00 The Main Event 1erns; Italian Onen in Rome 10.00 Racing Today 10.30 Sportsdesk 11.00 Football 12.00 Sportsdesk

NOW

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THE POWER STATION Westfor
2.00pm Brother John (1972): Sidney Poster 7.00em Superfrends 7.30 Re-mix 9.00 The 7.00em Eighteen hours of rock and pop

SUNDAY'S TELEVISION AND RADIO

COMPILED BY PETER DEAR AND MARIT HARGIE CRITIC'S CHOICE PETER WAYMARK

BBC 1

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6.45 Open University 8.55 Playdays (r) 9.15 Making Sense ... of Suffering (r) 9.30 This is the Day. A simple religious service from Sketlig Michael, a rocky outcrop off the south-west coast of

10,00 Bazaar (r) 10,25 Take Nobody's Word for it. Science magazine (r) 10.50 Business Matters: Picking Up the Pieces: How owners of failed small businesses can set about recovering from the experience of losing job, money and maybe even home in one go (r) 11.15 Women Mean Business (r).

(Ceetsx) 11.40 Step Up to Wordpower.
Reading and writing help for adults.
(Ceetsx). Wales: The Flying Doctors
12.05 Sign Extra. An edition of GED, The House That Bob Built, adapted for the

hearing impaired
12.30 Country File. As part of One World
12.30 Country File. As part of One World week, Country File has mounted a special exhibition of environmental photographs. Followed by Weather. Wales: 12.25 Farming in Wales 1.09 News with Chris Low, Followed by On the Record, January 1.00 the Record 1 On the Record. Jonathan Dimbleby examines Labour's alternative to the -Poll Tax. Emity Buchanan looks at who would win and who would be the losers under the proposed roof tax 2.00 EastEnders. Omnibus edition (r).

3.00 Film: A Distant Trumpet (1964). Troy Donehue romances the women and fights the Indians down Mexico way. Stock western stuff, and a tame and to the distinguished career of its veteran director, Plagut Walsh, With 4.50 All Our Children. A worldwide look at early days at school for youngsters in yery different circumstances.

5.40 The World in Our Hands. The Earth is one but the world is not, said the

Bruntland report on the environment and development. But where do you start to look at the joins? Michael Buerk decided to talk to astronauts, whose angel's-eye view gives them the chance to see the whole picture, but who notice pollution even up there. Strong stuff, due to the sad fact that much of the world is still desperately

complacent. (Ceefax) 5.25 News with Chris Lowe, Weather 6.40 Praise Bel with Pope John Paul It's special One World message, and Group Captain Leonard Chashire talking to Thora Hird. (Ceefax)
7.15 All Creatures Great and Small.

Delightful series based on the James Herriot novels about a veterinary practice in rural Yorkshire (r). (Ceefax) 8.05 Film: The March (1990)

 Having treated us to strong dramas about Aids, C. S. Lewis and the invention of DNA, William Nicholson turns his attention to the starving millions of Africa. He imagines that in the near future a charismatic African Gandhi emerges in the Sudan and leads his people in a great march to Europe to shame the First World intoaction. Nicholson calls The March a 'what-if" film, a plausible scenario designed as a thought-provoking introduction to the week of BBC programmes under the One World banner. The latter-day Gandhi (played by Malick Bowens from the Peter Brook repertory company) is ranged against a sympathetic but pragmetic European Community commissioner (Juliet Stevenson). She finds herself as a reluctant pig in the middle as her EC colleagues line up inst her. Although Nicholson tries to give the piece an individual dimension, supplying Stevensonwith a neglected husband and sanile mother essentially this is a dramatized debate in which all the points of view ara carefully represented and matically argued



Gandhi of Africa: Malick Bowens (8.05pm) 9.40 That's Life! Consumer affeirs

10.25 News with Martyn Lewis 10.40 Everyman: Will the March Go On? This week's edition provides a necessary code to the night by addressing the issues reised in the screening of *The March* eerier this evening. Could northern Africa be uninhabitable in 40 years time? And, if so, will Europe open its borders, as i grudgingly does on a much smaller gruogingly does on a much angers scale at present? Northern Ireland: Football (Cavan v Donega)

11.20 Women Mean Business. The fifth in this series sees Glenda Jackson looking

into attitudes towards women at work, and at how little is being done to orient the workplace to their needs. (Ceefax). Wates: 11.15 Welsh Labour Party Conference. Nothern Ireland 11.30 Everyman 11.45 Mahabharat. Episode six of the 91-

part Indian epic poem (r): Wales: Women Mean Business 12.10am Mahabharat 12.25am Weather, Wales 12.50; Northern

keland 12.10am

and the Wheeled Warriors. Animated aciventures

features dencer, Helen, who has appeared in over 1,000 Hindi films

interview with the Prime Minister of Ireland Charles Haughey on the prospects for European political union 11.00 Go for ltf Programme designed for children with special needs (r). (Oracle) 11.30 Gophers! Family cornedy series set in the animal world (r) 12.00

eccentric inventor. A successful mix of suspense and wisecracks. Directed

Wedding Anniversary in 1972 (r) 3.55 Testament. Part six of the Bible story told from a historical viewpoint by

4.55 The Nat King Cole Show (b/w). The guest is Margaret Whiting

6.25 Critizens: Omnibus edition (s) 7.10 Ad Lib. Robert Robinson listens in to conversations in

pubs and clubs around the

5.35 LWT News and weather Highway. Sir Harry Secombe visits Lyme Regis in Dorset 7.15 People Do the Funniest Things

presented by the unloved Jeremy Beadle (r) 7.45 Perfect Scoundrels. Patchy comedy

drame series starring Peter Bowles and Bryan Murray as two conmen in an ineasy alliance

8.45 Jeeves and Wooster. Stephen Fry and Hugh Laurie excel in this superb adaptation by Clive Exton of the P. G. Wodehouse stones about an oalish man of leisure and his

superior gentleman's gentleman. (Oracle) 9.45 News with Sue Carpenter. Weather 10.00 LWT Weather

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10.05 Spitting Imaga. The latex puppets with more sketchy satire
10.35 International Heavyweight Boxing from the City Hall, Sheffield, Jim Rosenthal introduces coverage of the fight between Britain's unbealenformer Clympic champion Lennox 12.00 Visions. Topical religious magazine 12.30 My Pet Monster, Arimated adventures 12.40 Police 5 12.55 LWT

Lewis and Dan Murphy from Omeha, Nebraska 11.05 Celebration: The Gingerbread Revolution

 A fascinating documentary, operating on several levels of fact and fiction, which explores the role of actors, artists and writers in the 1989 revolution in Czechoslavakia. The starting point is a film being shot in Prague about the Nazi cover-up of an extermination camp in Czechoslovekia during the Second World War. With a cast including the British actors from Courtenay and Freddie Jones, it is being made without the approval of the censors. One of the Czech cast, Josef Kemr, sees the police suppression of a student



Power of mime: Tom Courtenay (11.05pm)

demonstration in Prague and joins his fellow actors in a nationwide theatre strike which helps to ignite the revolution and topple the government. includes news film of the events of 1989, Courtenay's fine performance as a mime artist and footage from the Nazi death camp 12.05am Golf. The Nestle International

1.05am Soap. The sitcom with multiple sits and hilarious com (r)
 1.35 Whitbread Round the World Yacht Race. The final stages

Race. The final stages
1.45 The ITV Chart Show (r)
2.45 Film: The Last Married Couple in
America (1990) starring George Segal
and Natalie Wood. Silly, smutty sex
comedy about a happily married couple
who begin to doubt their own
wedded bliss when their married friends break away from their spouses. Directed by Gilbert Cates

4.30 Pick of the Week. The best from the

regions 5.00 ITN Morning News. Ends at 6.00

BBC 2

F 5.35 Open University: Maths. Shrinking Polygons 7.00 Structuring Decisions 7.25 King Frederick and Voltaire 7.50 Einstein's Theory 8.15 Living Choices: Changing Places 8,40 Emperor Augustus: Portrait and Image 9.05 Given Enough Rope 9.30
Pictures of Politics 9.55 Arts: Crime and Punishment 10.20 Biology: Cell Movement 10.45 Maths: Curve Sketching 11.10 Words to That Effect 11.35 Equilibrium Rules OK? 72.60 Westminster Week. Christopher
Jones presents highlights of the week in
Westminster. (Ceetax) 12.35
Around Westminster with Sue MacGregor

1.00 So You Want To Be a Better Manager. Open University film for managers at all levels 1.25 One in Four. Magazine series about disabled matters
 Second stand introduced by Steve

;Rider, The line-up is (subject to alteration); 2.00 Tennis; livecoverage of the final of the women's German International championship from Berlin. The commentators are Barry Davies and Ann Jones; 3.40 and 5.20 Motorcycling: the ACU Shell Oile British championship from Spetterion. The commentaer is Sarry Nutley: 4.50 and 6.10 Judg: the European championships from Frankfurt. The commentator is Jim

6.35 The Money Programma. Rory Cellan-Jones profiles British Petroleum. Britain's biggest oil company, who have recently announced a huge shakeup of their management structure, leading, it is hoped, to improved fortunes at the cost of redundancies

7.15 The Natural World: Twilight of the Dreamtime. The Gagudju are an Aboriginal tribe who have been caring for their sacred land in remote Northern Australia for 40,000 years. Their fortunes have changed over the ast 200, since the arrival of Europeans, and their numbers have now dwindled to the point where only a few fully initiated elders remain. This film aims to provide a record of a people who never had to write enything down, and now may never have the chance to do so, and makes the most of the photographic opportunities in the woodlands and wetlands that are their home. David Attenborough lends his

voice (r) 8.05 Yo-Yo Ma: A Month in Tanglewood. The second of two films follows the celebrated Chinese-American cellist through contemporary music week at the Tanglewood summer school and festival as he works with new composers and fellow artists and comes to grips with a new piece written for him by the Austrian H. K. Gruber 9.00 Film: Ten Commandments (1989). The third of the cogent film chames from the Polish director

Krzysztol Kiesłowski shows the sins

of the past catching up with a married texi-driver as he prepares to celebrate Christmas. Attending Midnight Mass with his wife and two small children, he is unexpectedly confronted by a former mistress who begs him to find her missing husband. There follows an unsettling night drive along deserted streets as the search is accompanied by a gradual ling of the women's real motives. The piece operates partly as a thriller, partly as a psychological study, and makes brilliant use of the bleak city landscape, with its drab apartment blocks, chillingly anonymous hospital and detox centre for drunks. The central

and Maria Pakufnis are perfectly judged. 10.00 Moviedrome. Alex Cox is on hand to Improve our understanding and enjoyment of another cult film, which tonight is Get Carter (1971). Michael Caine plays a London racketeer who travels to Newcastle to find out more about his brother's death. What he does discover is a sordid conspiracy. enough to drive a man to revenge. The supporting cast includes Britt Ekland, lan Hendry and John

performances by Daniel Otbrychski

Osborne. Directed with brutal efficiency by Mike Hodges, (Ceefax) 11.50 Rapido: Antoine de Caunes talks quickly and idiosyncratically about the controversial rappersPublic Enemy. as well as Aswad, Was Not Was and token dodgy French act Charlelia Couture (r). Ends at 12.35am

CHANNEL 4

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guests include Judge Pickles, Lady Harlech and Alister Spark

adventures of a pioneering Scottish

family 10.45 Link investigates the lack of facilities in Scotland for the rehabilitation of head

injury sufferers 11.00 Morning Worship from the Church of St Mary the Virgin, Clifton,

News and weather 1.00 News with Sue Carpenter, Weather

1.10 Eyewitness includes an interview with President Mengitsu of Ethiopia
2.00 McCloud. The second of a two-part story in which the detective investigates.

story in which the detective investigates a Middle East prostitution ring. Starring Dennis Weaver 3.00 Film: Follow Me, Boys! (1966) starring Fred MacMurray, Vera Miles and Lilian Gish. Sentimental to the point of nausea tale of a musician who hangs

up his sexophone and becomes a

of a lady. Directed by Norman Tokar 5.25 Cartoon Time

5.30 Bullseye. 6.00 Brave New Wilderness. Series on how old industrial land has been

recisimed by nature 6.30 News with Sue Carpenter. Weather

small town scout leader - all for the love

one of a Disney adventure about a family trying to make a living farming in 1880s Wyoming, Directed by Robert

9.25 Film: The Wild Country (1970). Part

10.15 The Campbells, Canadian

Nottingham

6.00 TV-am 8.00 Anne Diamond on Sunday. The

6.00 Transworld Sport (1) 7.00 Loads
More Muck and Magic (r). (Oracle) 7.30
Bright Sparks. Australian science
and lectmology series 8.00 Early Bird
8.30 David the Gnome 9.00 Jayoe

9.25 Movie Mahal. Today's programme but has now settled for a quiet married

life (r) 10.00 A Week in Politics includes an

The Waltons 1.00 Land of the Glants, Fantasy series 2.00 Film: The Thin Man (1934, b/w). The classic comedy thritier, loosely derived from Dashiell Hammett. William Powell and Myrna Loy as a drunken detective and his wealthy wife investigating the disappearance of an

by W. S. Van Dyke
3.40 Stamp of Royalty, Hannah Gordon
reveals the story behind British Royal
commemorative stamps from the
Queen's Coronation to her Silver

John Romer (r)

5.30 News summary and weather followed by Beach Volleyball. Coverage of the World championship's second semi-final in Rio de Janeiro. Presented by James Allen and Jaswinder Bancil

6.30 The Wonder Years. Emmy awardwinning comedy series about growing up in 1960s America



Cleaning up the oil spill: Don Jones (7.00pm)

7.00 Fragile Earth: Living with the Spill.

Channel 4's excellent environmental strand comes up with another powerful offering, this time about the effects of the huge oil spill from the Exxon supertanker which ran aground off the coast of Alaska, The bad news is that the oil killed hundreds of thousands of sea birds, ruined the local fishing industries and spread over 1,244 miles of coa The good news, or so it was thought, was that Econ assumed full responsibility and mounted an elaborate clean-up operation with no expense spared. But the further bad

news was that the peaceful, attractive town of Valdez found itself taken over and swamped by an influx of clean-up workers fured by a fast buck. They in turn attracted ugly rows of tents fast food stalls and souvenir shoos. Almost the sickest joke played on the good people of Valdez was a video game in which the player was invited to to do better than the captain of the tanker and steer the vessel to safety 6.00 The Media Show. Emma Freud discovers the culture of the Japanese media -- from its daily newspapers

with double circulation of The Sun to the world's largest advertising agency. 9.00 The Manageress. Chene Lunghi stars as the tough manageress of a second-division football team. Gabriella realises she has made a costly error by lying to herself and allowing a player to compromise her authority

(Oracle)
10.00 Film: National Lampoon's Animal
House (1978). John Belushi and Donald
Sutherland star in the notous college comedy set on an American campus during the free-spirited 1960s. A crazy gang tnes to outwit the elegant elite, creating some hilarious adventures. Outrageous and often rude, directed by John (Trading Places) Landis

12.10am Film: Baara (1978). Mali film starring Balla Mousa Keits and Babe Niare. A look at the problems Africa faced as it began its industrial revolution. An engineer who encouraged union activity is found murdered in a local factory and the mystery surrounding his death cleverly reveals African city life and the world of work. With English subtitles, Directed to Surrounding his content and the world of work. by Souleymane Cisser. Ends at 1.50

RADIO C. RADIO 3

FM Stereo and MW FM. Stereo and MW 5.00 The Brund and Liz Breakhast Show 10.00 Dave Lee Travis 1.00pcs Advart Juste 2.00 Mediums 3.00 The Saturday Sequence 7.00 Andy Peobles Soul Train 9.30 in Concert 10.30 Victor Lewes Sreth 1.00em-2.00 Sebuting John Soul Train 9.30 in Concert 10.30 Victor Lewes Sreth 1.00em-2.00 Sebuting John Stereo with Alban Service Stereo with Alban 2.00 Sebuting John Stereo Sebuting John Stereo Septimbries Septimbrie Selveday Flock Show with Alan

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News Haddines 2.00 Rober Ray on
Record 3.00 Mice Hurst 4.45 David 5.00
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Sulfivan Festival 9.30 Thanks for the
Marrony 10.05 Radio 2 Arts Programen
12.05em Stars of the 50s 1.00-4.00
Night Ride

WORLD SERVICE

1.30-6.00pm Sport

SATURDAY 19 MAY
5.00am World News.5.09 Twenty-Four Hours
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Britain 3.15 From Our Own Correspondent
3.39 Personal View 3.45 Nachnichten und
Presession 4.00 Germen Features 4.35
News in German 4.45 Headines in English
and French 4.47 Press Review 4.52 Firences
Review 4.56 Weether and Travel News

SATELLITE

SKY ONE

6.00am Nour of Power: Weekly resignous served 7.00 Fun Factory 11.00 Hour of Power 12.00 Superstars of Wresting: Amencan professional wresting 1.00 Ref-

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913 taratical followers to their deaths through mass, intual suicide by clinitung poson. The first episode chromotes Jones upbringing, his troubled homelite and his meeting with a neighbour with strong religious connections 10,00 Entertainment This Week 11.00 Sky World News Tonight 11.30 Celebrity Football: Football spectacular from Wembley, feathuring stars from Brookside, Coronation Street, boxer Gary Massin, music stars Rick Wakeman and Fish, and its footballer among many

Water and the same of the same

6.36-6.56 FM only. Open University. The Enlightenment: A Model of Despotism 8.55 Weather and News headines 7.00 Moming Concert.Offenbach Overture: Orpheus in Underworld.

Underworld.
Philhamonia/Neville Marriner.
Aquedo Agedio Op 2 No 1,
Julian Bream. Handel
Concerto grosso in 8 flat, Op
3 No 1, Academy of St
Martin/Neville Marriner
7.30 News
Walton: Comedy overture: Scapino.
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LSO/André Previn, Liszt Mazeppa, Jorge Bolet (piano). Schubert Ballot Music No 1 m B minor (Rosamunde), Leipzig worthque/Masur, Hande Gewendheus/Masur. Handel Sonata, Op 7 No 1a, Michala. Petri (recorder), George Malcolm (harpsichord), Johann Strauss (son) Tales from the Vianna Woods, Vienna TO ANIE Technology. PO/Willi Boskovsky

8.35 Ulster Orchestre, conductor Simon Joly: Richard Howarth (violin), Arnold Four Insh Dances, Op 126 (first broadcast). Vaughan Williams Concerto accademico. Malcolm Amold Symphony No B. Oo 124

Saturday Review with Richard Osborne. Record Review, new releases: chamber music releases: chamber music (Richard Wigmore):
Monteverdi and Gabrieli (Stephen Pethtti), 20th-century diecs (Paul Griffiths). Record Release: Mozart String Quartet in D (K499). Alban Berg Quartet John Adams The Wound Dresser, Santord Sylvan (bar), Orchestra of Stulke's (The Composer. Varèse Aménques, New York POROUREZ. Schubert Octet (D803). Academy of Ancient (D803), Academy of Ancient Music Chamber Ensemble

Music Chamber Ensemble
1.00pm News
1.05 Words: four reflections on
language by philosopher Te
Hondench. 1: Cause
1.10 Grimethorpe Colliery
Sand, conductor Elgar
Howarth: Ernet Tomlinson
Connet Concerto.

Musorgskyart Howarth Pictures at an Exhibition Protures at an Exhibition
2.10 Brighte Fassbaender (mezzosograno), Helmut Deutsch
(piano), Schubert Rastlase
Liebe, Der König in Thule;
Gretchen am Spinnrade, Am
Plusse (D766), Hoffmung
(D295); Der Musensohn; Die
Taubenpost; Sehnsucht
(D879); Der Wanderer en den
Mond; Wiegenlied (D867); Bei
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SKY NEWS

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SKY MOVIES

2.00pm Season of Draems (1987): A farmer's wife struggles to run the farmity farm

either her husband is injured in an accident When her old lover helps her out, complica-tions arise as he begins to fall for her deughter Starring Christine Lahti and Megan

deughter starting starting Steve Martin, Follows
4.00 Three Antigos! Starting Steve Martin, Chevy Chase and Martin Short
6.00 The Quick and the Dead (1987): Weatern, starting Sam Elliot as a trontersmen who comes to the aid of a persecuted ternity

hing der Reit; Herbstgeft Auf dem Kirchhafe Four Serious Songs 3.25 Amsterdam Baroque, director Ton Koopman, Mozart Divertimento in D (K136); Andante in C (solo fute: Wilbert Hazelzet), Symphony No 27. Heydn Symphony No

4.30 Debut: Cann Twins (pianos). Timothy Blinco Genni, Raval Rapsocke espagnole, Shostakovich Concertino 5,00 Jazz Record Requests with

Peter Clayton
5.45 Critics: Forum. Richard Mayne
(in the chair) talks with Owen
Dudfey Edwards, Floriaki
Hayman and Sarah Kent on: Hayman and Saran Kent on:
Cecil Jenkins's radio play
Catzen Sade (RS), The Pursuit
of the Real (Barbican Art
Gallery), Patrice Leconte's film
Monsieur Hirs, in the Ruizs, by
Nick Dear (Royal Court),
Selected Letters of Brecht,
settled by John Milliott

edited by John Willett 6.35 Clarinet and Piano. Colin Lawson, Enk Levi. Koechlin Clarinet Sonata No 2, Op 86. Wittred Josephs Piano Piece,

Carrinet Sonata No 2, Op 86.
Wiffred Josephs Piano Piece,
Op 114
7.00 From the House of the Dead.
Opera in three acts, by
Janêtek, to a text based on
Dostoyevsky, live from the
Théâtre Royal de la Monnale.
Brussels (sung in Czech). Filha
Morosov, known as Luka
Kuzmich, Kurt Schreibmayer
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Dewald (tenor): short convict,
Bodo Schwanbeck (bass):
camp commandant, Malcolin
King (bass): Geryanchikov,
Dale Duesing (baritone). old
convict, Raccardo Cassmelli
(tenor): Skuratov, Ronald
Hamilton (tenor): Aleys,
Stefanie Rhaua (soprano).
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Monnae/Cambreling
9.00 The Talking Out of Tamington
by Salci. Reader Peter Howell
9.05 Lindsay Quartet. Haydin String
Quartet in D. Op 76 No 5.

Lawson and Morag Hood (r)
11.00 Alan Gravill. Brahms Theme
and Variations (String Sextet,
Op 18) arranged for piano;
Sonate No 3 in F minor, Cp 5
12.00-12.05am News.

RADIO 4

LW (s) Stereo on FM.
5.55am Shapping Forecast 6.00
News Briefing: Weather 6.10
The Faming Weath 6.50
Prayer for the Day (s) 6.55
Weather 7.00 Today, incl 7.00,
7.30, 8.00, 8.30 News; 7.55,
8.53 Weather 8.55 Vestardity.

end guests (s) 11.00 News; The Week in Westminster: a review of

Douglas Young Mr Klee Visits the Botanical Gardens (first perf). Beethoven Quartal in A. Op 132 Op 132

10.30 Studo 3. Sweet Tooth by Mel Calman. George and Alice long to be adulterous lovers, but their trustrating meetings in a team room are lifethreatening to the Rum Baba. With Richard Griffilins, Dennis Leacon and Morea Hood (r)

8.00 Making Mr Right (1987). A A robot destined for space begins to gain humanity when left in the charge of the charming

young woman who is assigned to look after him before his mission. Starring John

responce and Ann Magnuson 10.00 The Fly (1985). A brilliant scienlist meets a matter-transporter and after an experiment goes wrong linds hinself turning into a fly. Starring Jett Goldblum and Greena

11.45 Buster (1988); Prel Collens stars as

Buster Edwards in an account of the escapedes of the Great Train Robbers. Costarring Julie Walters
1.30em Covert Action (1978) A torrier CIA

agent comes under threat when he starts writing a book about life in the service.

Writing & Down about the work of the Starming David Janssen and Arthur Kennedy 4.00 Deadly blusion (1968): Bitly Dee Writings stars as a private detective framed

on a homicule change and out to uncover the muth. Co-staming Morgan Ferchild and Jise Coriese Ends 5:30

EUROSPORT

6.00am As Sky One 9.00 BMX 8.30 Trax

10,00 Monster Trucks 11,00 Football the UEFA Cup Final. The second leg 1,000m Motor Cycling Grand Prv. Live coverage

from Meano in Italy and highlights of other races 3.00 Tennis. The Lufthansa Cup from

Mailwich and Ann Magnuson

satincal review of the news, with Bill Wallis, David Tate, John Baddeley and Sally Grace 5.50 Shipping Forecast 5.55 Weather 6.00 News; Sports Round-up

8.58 Weather 8.35 Yesterday in Parliament 9.00 News 9.05 Sport on 4 presented by Cliff

9.00 Sport on a presented by Sm. Morgan 9.30 Breakaway, Holiday and travel news and views presented by Bernard Falk and Nigel Coombe -10.00 News: Loose Ends: fast-mount bland of news. moving blend of news, comions and mickey-taking, hosted by Ned Sherm, and feeturing Richard Johson, Arthur Scotland, Emma Freud

Westminster: a review of happenings with comment and interviews, presented by Robin Celdey, political editor of The Times

11.30 From Our Own Correspondent 12.00 Money Box, with Louise Botting and Vincent Duggleby 12.25pm The News Cluz hosted by Barry Took and featuring Alan Coren, Richard Ingrams and len Histor (a)

ian Histop (s) 12.55 Weather

1.00 News 1.10 Any Questions? Jonathan Dirtibleby in Banchory, Scotland, with penellists Helena Kennedy, Ian McIntyre, Sr Dand Steel MP and Alex Salmond MP Salmond MP

2.00 News; Any Answers? Jonathan
Dimbleby takes viewers' calls
on issues raised in Any
Questions? (071-580 4411)

2.30 Time of Their Lives. Solsuce, a

biographical play by Jo Anderson, set in London of 1873, and based on the life of Vincent van Gogt (r)
4.00 The Living World, Devid
Streeter and Derek Jones seek evidence of the granville military on the island of Serk 4.30 Science Now. Akun Lewis on

nano-technology, the nano-technology, the lascinating scence of miniscule engineering that could become big business 5.00 Conversation Place. Sus MacGregor talks to Sir Roger Bannister, Master of Permone College, Oxford. Pembroke College, Oxford, about his life and work (r)

Women's World Cup, from Sydney, Austra-les 7.00 Horse Bor 8.00 Motor Cycling Grand Pro- Live coverage from Mason in fally and highlights of other rapes 3.00 The Power of Footbell. This official thin of the 1978 World

Cup was benned by FFA because of its

criticisms of the then ruling body. 11.00 Tenns: The Luthhansa Cup from Berlin

SCREENSPORT

7.00am Saving: Featuring the 12-metre yearti challenge from Sydney 8.00 TV Sport 8.30 Rugby Lesgue 10.00 Terms 11.30 ice Nockey 2.00pm 601 4.00 Major Lesgue Basebas. Latest action from the American

Baseboa. Latest action from the American tournament 6.00 indy Time Trials 7.00 Pole

Day 8.00 Argentinan Footbal 9.30 Pro Box 11.30 Athletics

LIFESTYLE

12.00 Radar Men from the Moon 12.30pm

Ensign O'Toole 1.00 Zorro's Fighting Legion 1.30 One Step Beyond 2.00 Champenship Rodeo 3.00 Roles Derby 4.00 Almoan

Randow 4,25 Attempon Cirema: B the Lines: A look behind the scenes on

Twenty four hours of rock and pop

10.15 Open Mind, A discussion about discipline in Britan's schools. Are liberal policies breeding an anti-social generation, or are schoolchildren simply much as they were? 10.45 Ottoman Adventure. The

0.00 News

10.45 Ottoman Adventure. The Journey Homeward. Novelist Joseph Hone's story of his recent travels in Turkey. He discovers a Georgian shangrita high in the mountains and goes in search of the Towers of Trebizond

11.00 Fichard Baker Compares Notes with three young Scandinevian musicians — Dan Laurn, Ashildur Heraldsdottir and Jan-Erik

public speaking

part Charvel

Dan Laurm, Astridur Haraldsdottir and Jan-Erik Gustafsson (e) 11.30 At Home With the Hardys: Surprise, Surprise. More Interious comedy with Kit. Hoserbach, Jeremy Hardy, Paul 8. Davies and Caroline Leddy. This week, someone, somewhere is having an affair — and Paul's doing the

catering (s) 12.00 News, and 12.20 Weather 12.33am Shipping Forecast FM as LW except:
1.55pm-2.00 Programme News
4.30-6.00 Options 4.30 Education
Matters: a special from Hungary 5.00
Get Winting, with George Evans,
Michelle Magorian and Chris Powling
5.30 Speak For Yourself, Looking
Good, John Campbell's guide to
mibile separking

radical newspaper6.00 Set-a-Vision Shop

BSB: THE MOVIE CHANNEL

GALAXY

5.25 Week Ending. Often biting. FREQUENCIES: Radio 1: 1053k/tz/285m:1089k/tz/275m:FM-97.6-99.8. (London area FM-104.8.) Radio 2: 693k/tz/433m:909k/tz/330m;FM-98-90.2. Radio 3: 1215k/tz/247m; FM-90-92-4. Radio 4: 198k/tz/1515m:FM-92-494.6. Jazz FM 102.2. LBC; 1152k/tz/261m; FM 97.3. Capital: 1548k/tz/194m; FM 96.8. GLR: 1458k/tz/265m, FM-94-9; World Service: MW 648k/tz/465m.

ITV VARIATIONS

As London sixtept: 12.30pm-1.00 Farming Dary 2.00 Members Only 2.25 Brave New Widerness 2.55 Highway to Heaven 3.50 Carton 4.00 The Boys of 165 5.90 The Village Show 6.00-8.30 All Clued Up 12.05em Winthead Round the World Race 12.15 Present: Cell Block H 1.15 Film: Widesbout 3.00 Cinematuractions 5.30-4.30

pubs and clubs around the country
7.45 Saturday Night Theatre: South by South East by Adam Peterson. Interplay between two former schoolthiends, one successful, the other not. Stars Derek Howard and Christopher Quinn (s)
9.00 Music m Minct Brian Kay with a selection of metodies (s)
9.50 Ten to Ten. A reading, hymn and a reflection, led by Canon John Oates (s)
9.59 Weather

BORDER

CENTRAL

GRANADA As London except: 12.30pm Granete This Week 2.00 Richmond HB 2.55 Film: Artack on the Iron Coast 5.05 Bullseys 5.35-6.30 Coronation Street 12.05am Prisoner Cell Block H 1.00 Cuz Night 1.30 I Spy 2.30 The Brg Valley 3.30 Pick of the Week 4.00 The ITV Chart Show 4.50-5.00 Jobhnder

As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 People On Sunday 2.00 West Country Farming 2.30 Scene 90 3.00 Febr: The Came Multry 5.30 Brave New Wilderness 5.00-8.30 All Clued Up 12.03em Preponer: Cell Block H 1.05 The ITV Chan Show 2.00 The 58t Road 2.55 The Hit Man and Her 3.50-5.00 Febr: 1919

HTV WALES As HTV West except 12.30pm-12.55 The Investile Man 2.30-3.00 Schools From Wakes

TYNE TEES

As London except: 12.25pm-1.00 Jack Thompson Down Under 2.00 Highway to

7.00em Superfriends 7.30 Re-mor 9.00 Buzzard Island 9.30 The Putternan 10.00 Ammst World 10.30 Kids' Court 11.00 Miled 11.30 The New Fantastic Four 12.00 Time of Your Life 1.00pm Sea Hunt 1.30 Facts of All films are followed by News and Weather 2.00pm Marriage on the Rocks, (1965): An advertising executive has second thoughts about his Melocan divorce when he Your Life 1.00pm Sea Hum 1.30 Facts to Life 2.00 Cool Cube 5.00 Grange Hill 5.30 Doctor Who 6.00 Dad's Army 8.50 The Best of Steptes and Son 7.00 Night Court 7.30 The Repeatable Up Yer News 8.00 Crossings 10.00 Rums and Allen 10.30 TJ Hocker 11.30 Into the Groove 12.15pm Samer Miller 12.45 Jools Holland's Happenfinds his ex-wife memed to his best hend. Starring Frank Smatra, Deborah Kerr and

2 4.00 Day of the Outlaw (1959): A rencher fights against a geng of army renegades Staring Robert Ryan 6.00 Lightning, the White Stallion (1966): A teenage grid and her horse showump to victory Staring Mickey Rooney and Susan George 8.00 Baby Boom (1967) An information of the Groove 12.15pm Same 12.45 Jools Holland's Happening glibstost 9.30am Sportsdesk 10.00 Football 11.00 Tennis 2.00 Motor Reang, Motor Cycling and Tennis 7.00 Australian Ruppy Loague 8.00 Sportsdesk 8.30 Basketball 11.00 Tennis 12.00 Sportsdesk 11.00 Sportsdesk 8.30 Basketball 11.00 Sp

George 8.00 Baby Boom (1987) An inherited baby disrupts a career woman's Lie. Staming Dane Keaton 10,00 Looking for Mr Goodbar (1977) A New York Catholic teacher plunges into the New York singles seens with tragic conse-quences. Staring Dane Keaton quences. Starting Diana Reaton 12.25am Undercover (1987) David Neidorf and Jemifer Jason Leigh star as two cops on the track of some murderous drug pushers Endo at 2.00am

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HTV WEST

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Grand Ole Opry Live 4,00 Horse Power 4,30-5,00 Jobfinder S4C Starts: 6.00 Early Mornign 9.00 Painted

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checked after control wheel breaks off

From Susan Ellicott, Washington

British Airways as one of its the Federal Aviation Adminlargest customers, has been istration (FAA), ordered the carrying out a 72-hour inspection of three newer models of a cotter pin missing in a its popular 737 aircraft after a second twin-engine 737 being missing pin caused a control prepared for delivery. wheel to come off in the hands of a co-pilot flying for a West German airline.

The incident was on board a West German 737-400 - the same type of aircraft that crashed on the M1 at Kegworth. The US regulatory

De Klerk's vision of the future

By Michael Knipe Diplomatic Correspondent

PRESIDENT de Klerk of South Africa spelled out his vision of a post-apartheid South Africa yesterday at a series of meetings with senior British financial, political and media figures at the South African embassy in London.

Mr de Klerk, who is visiting Chequers today for discussions with Mrs Thatcher. is promoting the view that sanctions are yesterday's issue and attempting to focus attention on South Africa's importance as a potential powerhouse of economic development in Southern Africa as a whole.

It is a view with which Mrs Thatcher is much in sympathy. With them at Chequers will be Mr Pik Botha, the South African Foreign Minister, and Mr Douglas Hurd, the Foreign Secretary.

They are likely to discuss the importance of promoting the importance of promoting renewed foreign investment in South Africa after the years of if any work is needed it should economic isolation.

The British government strongly supports President de Klerk's reform programme and is particularly interested in Pretoria's efforts to harness the private sector, both na-

BOEING, which includes body for the airline industry, inspection after Boeing found

A cotter pin is a split pin which attaches the control wheel to a steering column. The pin fastens the wheel by spreading its ends after insertion in a similar way to some paper clips.

Boeing said the West German aircraft landed safety after its pilot took over on a second set of controls. It also found damage to the threads of a bolt used in the control-wheel configuration.

The reported incidents are likely to do little to help the aircraft manufacturer's image as it struggles to rid itself of problems on its production line in recent years. Last year, the company carried out a world-wide inspection of some models after the discovery of flaws in fire-extinguisher systems. More than separate defects were found on almost every Boeing model.

At the time, the FAA exressed concern to Boeing in a letter that "inadequacies in several areas of the company, including basic design of electronic components, manufacturing, production inspection and suppliers" might have led to "unsafe conditions". Boeing says it has taken measures to improve the quality of aircraft coming off the production line.

In Britain checks were ordered by the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) which af-fected British Airways, British Midland and a number of holiday airlines, including Britannia and Air UK Leisure.

not take very long to do. These aircraft won't fly until the checks have been done." The order refers to all 737s built in the past two years.

British Airways said it had checked its four 737-300s and tionally and internationally. "they were all fine".

Boeing 737s | Gateshead festival becomes a garden of hope



A LINDISFARNE monk, part of the Durbam County Council contribution to the National Garden Festival in Gateshead, Tyne and Wear, receiving a final touch of paint. The festival, opened by the Princess Royal yesterday, brought hope of new life for the 200-acre site (Adam Fresco writes).

The £60 million festival has given jobs to more than 2,000 and has secured commitments for rejuvenating the once desolate area. The land has been reclaimed from derelict workings and railway sidings and when the festival commercial development and parkland. The festival is based along one mile of the Tyne: highlights include a celebrity cricket match. power-boat grand prix, Chinese dragon boat racing, fireworks, music and art.

Opening the 157-day festival the Princess Royal, its patron, said: "During my last visit I saw the bare bones of the site, which was fascinating in its way, but this is quite a revelation. It is worth remembering what noture can do with a little help from man in improving what was just a man-made vista before."

The first garden festival was held in

Liverpool in 1984 and was hallt on a former rubbish tip; it attracted more than three million visitors. The Merseyside Development Corporation adopted the idea from festivals abroad and made it a hig success. Once the festival ended houses were built on 80 acres of the 125-acre site with the rest being left as parkland, already developed by the festival.

The Glasgow Garden Festival, which took place throughout the summer of 1988, was regarded as the most successful, attracting a record 4.25 million visitors. The five-month festival cost £42 million to stage on the bad weather it managed to inject £100 million into the Scottish economy. Since the event, bowever, the site has largely lain waste after the clearing operation.

A retail and leisure park that created hundreds of jobs now stands on the site of the 1986 garden festival in the centre of Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire. The site was cleared for the festival four years ago and included a canalside marina. After the festival the council leased the site to a property company, which developed the retail and leisure park.



Detail from Renoir's "Au Moulin de la Galette"

Art lover's £94 million spending spree was conducting bids between a return. But on Thursday there at \$71 million. With Sotheby's

Continued from page 1 he said matter-of-factly. "That's for my garden."

NEW YORK: The sale of heady moment on Tuesday when Van Gogh's "Dr glimpsing Mr Kobayashi. Gachet" smashed the world

record to clapping, gasps and roars of approval.

WEATHER

telephoce candidate and the was no apparent movement in 10 per cent premium, this chandelier. He looked emphatically at a colleague to the Renoir came as an anti- his right, receiving bids by climax at Sotheby's New York telephooe, and theo looked on Thursday night (Sarah Jane somewhat vaguely into the Checkland writes). Like near distance, The massed compulsive gamhlers, the ranks of the world's press crowd wanted to repeat that craned forward from their pen at the side in the hope of

They remembered that as he had struggled past the crowd to his limousine on At first, it appeared that the Park Avenue on Tuesday auctioneer, Mr John Marion, night, he had pledged to

Much of Britain will be dry

with some sunny spells.

the massive hall.

At \$30 million another telephooe bidder joined in, communication through one of Sotheby's bevy of young glamorous experts. Then at \$41 million, a further telephone operator stirred. From then on, the going was less like the Grand National than a game of ping pong across the rostrum, with Mr Marion the referee.

over, the gavel coming down pressionists had the same fate.

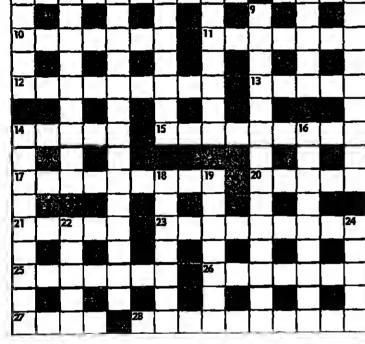
makes the final price \$78.1 million. Not a bad profit for Mrs Betsey Cushing Whitney, the widow of the financier and publisher Mr John Hay Whitney, who bought it for \$165,000 in 1929.

Despite Sothehy's euphoria, last week's results had their share of disasters. One third of Christie's Impressionist watercolours and drawings failed to sell, while 65 out of The transaction was soon their 119 secondary Im-

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THE TIMES CROSSWORD NO 18,298



ACROSS

1 Not properly covered, food li-able to go off (10)

6 Pockets large sums (4) 10 Means of carrying small volumes by tube (7)

11 Sour name for one producing a

12 Composer of this Roman fan-tasy? (9)

13 Gold sovereign (5) 14 Squat conqueror's attitude? (5) 15 Firm with insurance to protect the more expensive work (4,5)

17 Bloomer is happy, given acceptable soil mixture (9) 20 Constitutional in castle gallery

21 First capital gains tax, of course 23 Preparing joint, perhaps, for beef entree (9)

25 He made a bit in forge or in ship 26 Fit to drink, say River Board (7) 27 Castle in the air? (4)

Concise crossword, page 44

Solution to Puzzle No 18,292



28 Contemplates terminus here in

1 The Palladium reduced, somehow, to darkness (5) 2 Brilliant star from USA -

proven smash! (9) 3 Jackson's battle scene? (6.8) 4 Smelt, perhaps, from Neapolitan angle? (3-4)

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9 ... but he may score through the covers oo the first day (5-9) 14 One sends word - Mark to go 16 Middle kingdom that grows (9)

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top of doughnut (7) 22 Masefield's peacocks, for example, caught by Greek craft (5)

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Solution to Puzzle Nn 18,297 TRANSIENT

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WORD-WATCHING

A daily safari through the language jungle. Which of the By Philip Howard DIRIMENT

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HANEPOOT a. A kind of grape . Anglo-Saxon law court c. A chimney pot JUMP-ROPE a. Skipping b. The boom yard

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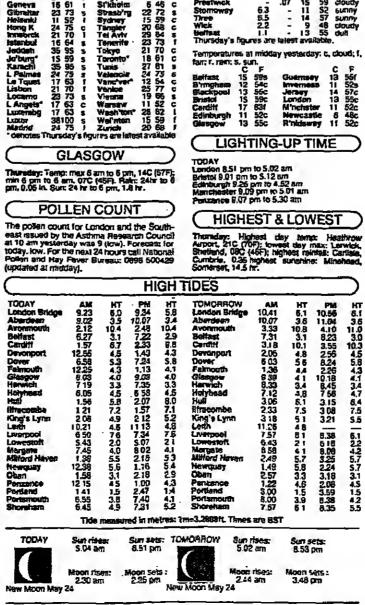
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Executive Editor David Brewerton

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Market report, page 20

Shares in 50-point collapse

THE FT-SE 100 index saw a turnround of more than 50 points as euphoria over the Chancellor's remarks on full sterling participation in the firms totalling about \$250 million, according to sources European Monetary System collapsed. By the close, the index was 15.3 points down at 2,269.1 after climbing 37 points before 9am.

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The pound, though under-pinned by the prospect of UK interest rates staying high for the foreseeable future, and helped by the softer mark, was unable to match Thursday's 0.7 point surge on its trade-weighted index. It stood at 88.2 at the close, only 0.1 above the previous close. Kenneth Fleet, page 19

Conder plunges

Shares in Conder Group, the steel cladding group, slumped from 615p to 340p after Mr Christopher Stewart-Smith, chairman, told shareholders profits this year would be significantly lower.

Market report, page 20

STOCK MARKETS

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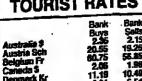
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Although Marks has approached Continental markets with caution - it tell Price lader: 125.1 (April) has built a chain of eight stores in France over 15 years — it has also just broken

exports of steel to USSR By Joe Joseph, Tokyo, and Derek Harris, London FOUR Japanese com- British companies which had trade insurance rates in repanies have decided to been discussed with the Soviet halt exports of steel pipes authorities. Moscow was and machinery to Mosright and some payments were cow because of late pay-ments of about \$100 now coming through, said Lord Trefgarne. So far, the British authori-

The reaction comes in the ties have been accepting suggestions that the problems have been largely admin-istrative in origin. Central Soviet authorities had devolved hitherto centralized responsibility for foreign trade

to various new groupings in the Soviet Union, including companies are part of a mounting tally of late pay-ments to several Japanese companies. What is not clear at the moment is if some or all of these are merely learning the at Japan's big trading ropes or whether they are so

short of hard currency that

they cannot, at any rate for the some as one of the growing time being, pay for goods and pains of perestroika, as deservices in good time. cision-making moves away Japan's big trading comfrom central purchasing panies, which dominate the \$6 billion annual bilateral trade between Tokyo and Moscow, are now threatening to join in sia's third higgest trading part-ner after West Germany and suspending shipments to the Soviet Union unless payment

is forthcoming.
Payments by the Soviet
Union began falling behind
schedule last October, when Finland, a move by other Japanese companies to follow suit could badly jolt the Soviet This is the first time the Soviet corporations began Soviet Union has fallen beasking Japanese trading comhind in payments to Japanese panies for extensions in paycompanies, although many ing for imports of chemical prodocts, steel and other goods. Last month, frustrated ments from the Soviet Union: Japanese trading companies filed details of their trading losses with Japan's Ministry of

Trade and Industry (Miti) in order to claim trade insurance. Miti has not yet approached been having trouble with Moscow directly to naravel tardy Soviet payments. So it may be only a matter of time the depth of the problem, hut officials have apparently begun to sound oot Western trading partners on their experiences. Japan is also Russia.

Earlier this week Lord hoping to raise the issue at the larger the British Trade July's summit of leading industrial nations in Houston, Miti has doubled its

action to the rush of claims. According to Japanese press reports, Soviet officials told Japanese trading companies that payments had been de-

layed because of a temporary shortage of hard currency. The officials said that decentralization of trading authority from central ministries to the various public corporations had prompted many of these corporations to increase their imports at the same time.

That led to a currency squeeze and havoe at the Soviet Union's four foreign trade settlement banks.

There is a possibility, analysts say, that with the Soviet Union now hilling Eastern Europe for oil in dollars, the situation may improve. But many Japanese trading companies doubt that this is a temporary problem.

They say Moscow's shortage of bard currency is structural and that the problem is getting worse.

Recent research hy the United States Central Intelligence Agency, showing that Soviet oil production is falling, has done little to paint a rosier picture, especially if oil prices stay weak. Japanese exports of steel

pipes, plant and machinery to the Soviet Union were already shrinking last year because of Moscow's shortage of hard currency.

Now they are likely to shrink further. The suspensions announced by the four Kawasaki Steel, NKK and Sumito Metal Industries total about 130 tons of steel products.

Some pipes and other machinery that already bave been loaded ready for shiphoping to raise the issue at this ment are being held back until the Japanese exporters receive letters of guarantee from plaints raised by a dozen Texas. Miti has doubled its Moscow.

back with higher asset valuation By Neil Bennett

GLOBE Investment Trust has hit back at the £1.03 billion bostile hid from British Coal

Pension Funds by producing a

revised asset value of 225p per share, 34p above the offer. The new valuation appears in Globe's defence document, eotitled "An offer you must refuse." It compares with a value of 204.5p in March. The document gives Globe's figures for the year to end-March. Pre-tax profits rose 34 per cent to £49.8 million. while the final dividend is 4p. up 19 per cent, making a 5.78p

total against 4.98p. Standard accounting of the assets, by contrast, put them them at 213p a share, an increase of 3.7 per cent from last year, marginally higher than the FT all-share index.

The new asset value, if accepted by shareholders, puts Brish Coal's hid in doubt. Globe's shares rose 5p to 196p, against the 191p offer. Globe has augmented a standard asset valuation of 2100 a share from May 11 hy including £44 million for its

fund management operations.

£22.5 million for the benefit of

its debenture stock, and £21.5 million for the final dividend. Presecting Globe's defence, Mr David Hardy, the chair-man, said: "This is a thoroughly lousy offer from the Coal Board. It is just oasty short-termism that reflects

very badly on the City today." Mr Malcolm Le May, of BZW, British Coal's adviser, poured scorn on the valuation. "The revision is highly spurious and has a number of elèments that are not normally iocluded in net asset valuation," he said.

British Coal published yearend figures from British Investment Trust, which it corrols. These show a 5.8 per cent rise in asset value to 766p, more than 2 per cent better than Globe's.

markets, although it has been weighing

up the prospects. West Germany may

become a prime target since a successful

penetration there could hlaze a trail into

East Germany and Eastern Europe, hut

currently no projects are planned. Italy is

Marks has an experimental franchise

The mainland European operation

saw a turnover increase of 22 per cent

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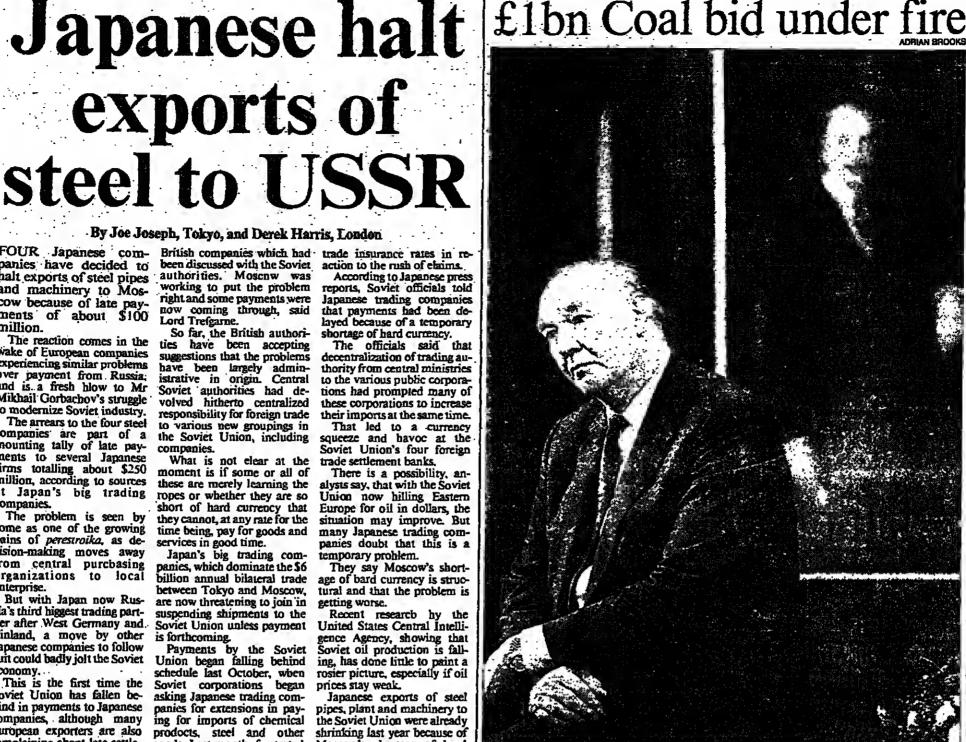
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not an imminent prospect either.

under the local store's own label.

Kenneth Fleet, page 19 M&S plans to treble number of stores in France with £107m expansion

£1bn Coal bid under fire



Globe in trust: David Hardy under watchful eye of former chairman Lord Pender Globe hits

Gloomy market again halves Coloroll value

the battered home furnishings group, balved again yesterday as the market continued to take a pessimistic view of the director, Mr Eric Kilby. rescue plan put together by Candover Investments.

The price fell as low as 3 3/4p at one stage before firming again to 4 1/4p, half the overnight price, valuing the group at less than £8.5 million. The shares peaked at 373p before the 1987 crash.

The group was condemning as erroneous a report that the senior management would be leaving if the Candover package, which has the backing of three substantial shareholders in Coloroll, Legal & General, the Coal Board pension funds and Scottish Amicable, succeeds.

No decisions have been made, but Mr Philip Greeo,

THE market value of Coloroll, charge of the day-to-day run-the battered home furnishings ning of the business, is likely to stay. An eventual victim. however, could be the finance

The Candover plan would existing shareholders' interests and has not met with the approval of the other shareholders. But it would allow a degree of face-saving for the banks, owed as much as £180 million by Coloroll at the last

The Swedish investors trying to put together a rival rescue have the support of two large Swedish industrial groups in the home furnishings business prepared to participate in any attempt at reconstruction. Mr Peter Gyllenbammar, the Swedish husinessman, and the investment house Proventus Inter-

Guerin company in \$4m

By Angela Mackay

PARENT Industries, a company wholly-owned by Mr James Guerin, the former deputy chairman of Ferranti International, has pleaded guilty to one charge of racketeering and agreed to pay the US government a fine of \$4.4 million.

The admission of guilt is the first by Mr Guerin, albeit through his personal company. He has steadfastly denied any wrongdoing related to an alleged £215 million frand uncovered at Ferranti Interoational last year

The US authorities have been investigating Mr Guerin and the company he founded. International Signal & Control, for more than a year and have alleged he masterminded a \$1 hillion defence contract fraud which caused havoc at

The British defence and electronics group, which bought ISC for £460 million at the height of the alleged fraud, is suing Mr Guerin and others to try to recover the funds.

In a plea agreement dated May 15. Parent Industries Inc. promised to pay the govern-ment \$2.37 million in cash guaranteed by Mr Guerin's wife, Helen, and forfeit its rights to \$2 million being held in escrow in a pay dispute which the US Justice Department is fighting to keep frozen.

Parent has also promised to cooperate with the US authorities investigating individuals and corporations involved in an inquiry into Ferranti Inter-national. ISC and their subsidiaries.

Parent said the government could file specifie facts about

the guilty plea at a later date.
The New Era newspaper in Lancaster, Pennsylvania -home of ISC - suggested Mr Guerin was also trying to negotiate a plea bargain. Mr Guerio founded Parent

in 1982 as a holding company for businesses unrelated to

In court this week, Justice Department officials said Parent also served as the depository for 32 million Ferranti shares. When ISC merged with Ferranti in September 1987, Mr Guerin obtained "good" Ferranti stock in return for ISC shares that were artificially inflated by the alleged desence contract fraud. according to evidence by the Internal Revenue Service.

These shares were then transferred to Parent Industries which "obtained financing from numerous financial institutions using the stock as collateral."

Loans ranging from \$500,000 to \$39 million were raised, according to the IRS.

Australians in shake-ups

Elliott steps down as Elders chief From David Tweed Sydney

price of Elders IXL is believed to be behind the early resignation of Mr John Elliott as the company's chief executive. He is to be replaced by Mr Peter Bartels, head of the worldwide brewing group.

Mr Elliott has been trying to straddle the increasingly uncomfortable dual role as chairman of both Elders' ultimate holding company, the dehtladen Harlin Holdings, and as operational manager of Elders

Mr Elliott will remain as a director and chairman of Elders.

His retirement was fore-shadowed in The Times on March I and became inevitable when Elders confirmed a massive restructuring plan a week later, involving the sale of non-core assets and the creation of two single purpose companies - brewiog and agribusiness.

The change of chief executive marks a switch of emphasis at Elders.

Mr Elliott is both a politician and a financial engineer, whereas Mr Bartels is more concerned with getting the industrial logic of Elders' brewing interests to work for

Mr Bartels had been due to take over the chief executive

By Derek Harris, Industrial Editor

MARKS and Spencer, the food and

clothing retailer, is to accelerate its

penetration into European markets with

expansion which in France alone will

involve investment amounting to about

In France Marks expects to treble its

number of ontlets to about 25 over the

next five years, said Mr Malcolm Hobbs.

managing director for Europe. So far

Marks earns 80 per cent of its European

FFr1 hillion (£107 million).

interests are sold, and Mr El-liott, while retaining the chairmanship, is expected to hand over management to Mr

From The Times, March 1

role when Elders changed its name to Foster's Brewing Group at the beginning of the financial year on July 1. As part of the reorganiza-

tion, all the non-hrewing interests were to be sold and Courage, the British brewing subsidiary, had been planning to buy the brewing interests of Grand Metropolitan. That deal, along with a joint pubs venture, has been referred to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission.

only asset - 1.2 billion Elders yesterday's closing price of profits. Aus\$1.84.

Plans to float off the agribusiness have now been shelved because of the poor state of the Australian stock market, which means that the expected return of funds to Elders shareholders is now in doubt, putting further pres-

Mr Alan McGregor, a director of Elders for 10 years, was appointed deputy chairman. A statement released by Elders said Mr McGregor had advised the board at yesterday's losses would push net assets to meeting that he was no longer associated with Harlin.

St Michael poised for European advance

Madrid and is due to open its first Dutch

Elsewhere in Europe, Marks has so far

only a presence in Belgium, with two

stores, in Brussels and Antwerp, but is

The formula which has so far proved

successful in Europe, especially France,

is for less emphasis on food than in

Britain and more on clothing and other

Spain, with its rapid rate of industrial

growth, is seen as a promising market for

the Marks style. Early results have

already encouraged the group to explore

more Spanish opportunities, said M&S.

But it is playing down the possibilities of goods rose 17:6 per cent.

oullet in Amsterdam next year.

looking to expand there further.

textiles, and homeware.

Net assets slide at Charterhall forces meeting

By Our City Staff THE estimated 1,500 private

shareholders in Charterhall, the former British vehicle of Mr Russell Goward, the troubled Australian entrepreneur, have been called to a special meeting on June 13 after a disastrous set of interim fig-ures and befty write-offs pushed the company's net assets below acceptable levels.

Charterhall, whose shares have been suspended at 91/2p since late last year, has won a funher lifeline from State Bank of New South Wales, its main banker, which has ex-Harlin is groaning under the tended its existing facilities weight of a Aus\$2.8 billion and provided additional help (£1.3 hillion) deht, with its until September next year.

The company has debis of shares, or 56 per cent of the about £80 million and is capital — worth significantly unlikely to be covering in-less (about Aus\$2.2 hillion) at terest charges with its trading Charterhall made an operat-

ing loss of £4.3 million, against profits of £6.65 million, in the six months to end-December.Exceptional losses totalled £16.36 million, against a gain of £1.92 million. After almost doubled interest payments, the company lost £26.04 million pre-tax, against a profit of £5.76 million last time. It is writing off £47.4 million against the value of its two subsidiaries, Tandem Shoe Holdings and Corah, in the balance sheet. This and the well below half the issued share capital of £25.9 million.

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the managing director and in national hold 5 per cent.

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BUSINESS ROUNDUP Wardle sheds 20 jobs at Bridgend factory

WARDLE Storeys, the plastic sheeting and survival equipment manufacturing recovering from a sharp profits downturn earlier in the year, is shedding 20 johs with immediate effect at its Bridgend factory in South Wales.

The factory employs 85 people and carries out some of the simpler manufacturing operations for the main parachute factory at Blackmill, 10 miles away. More redundancies will follow when it closes in December, although Wardle said it would transfer as many workers as possible to the Blackmill site. Mr Brian Taylor, Wardle Storeys' chief executive, said Ministry of Defence business is declining and there is a large over-capacity in this sector of the clothing industry.

Shandwick acquires TPS

SHANDWICK, the world's biggest PR consultancy, has acquired TPS Group in London for up to £6 million in cash and shares. TPS made pre-tax profits of £320,000 in the year 10 end-

Trust raises asset value

OVERSEAS Investment Trust lifted pre-tax revenue from £788,000 to £793,000 in the six months to end-March, Eps slip from 1.37p 10 1.29p. The interim dividend improved to 0.75p December. Shandwick will (0.70p). Gross revenue demake an initial payment of clined to £1.12 million £2.75 million in cash and shares, with the balance depending on performance. (£1.37 million) while net asset value increased to 277.8p (260.7p).

Red tape delays Young YOUNG Group, the Tyneside coal miner, says its Aus\$5.5

million (£2.5 million) purchase of a 42.9 per cent stake in Australian Mining Investments, which was to have been completed by May 16, has been delayed by administrative problems in Australia. The required meeting of AMI sharebolders will now only take place on May 30, after which a placing of £2 million of Young Group shares will proceed. IEP Securities, which holds a 17.7 per cent stake in Young Group and is underwriting the placing, has extended its placing agreement, increasing its commission from £10,000 to £50,000. IEP's stake in Young will increase to a minimum of 21.2 are certainly agreement of 26.9 per cent. It has been

of 21.3 per cent and a maximum of 26.9 per cent. It has been granted an option to acquire a further 100,000 Young shares.

Profits from Income up Lendu slump

LENDU Holdings, the Australian sheep farming to Malaysian rubber production company, reports pre-tax profits of £137.000 for the year to end-December (£861,000). The figure includes £430,000 of disposal gains. The dividend is cut to 0.7p (0.9p). Turnover climbed to £546,000. Eps slump from 6.73p to 0.89p. from 2.07p to 3.46p. The final dividend is improved to 1.2p (1.0p), making a total of 2.2p (1.725p) for the year.

by 42.3%

VALUE and Income Trust, the investment trust, reports a fully diluted net asset value of 75.5p, compared with 74.2p previously. Pre-tax income advanced by 42.3 per cent to £1.96 million in the year to end-March. Eps rise

Rand Mines warning

RAND Mines, a diversifed South African mining bouse, is bolding its interim dividend for the half year to March 31 at 120 cents a share. But it is giving a warning that profit hopes for the year will not now be realized and that not earnings could be 20 per cent lower. Rand Mines reported a net attributable profit of R216.3 million (£48.5 million) for the previous year and paid a total dividend of 560 cents on earnings a share of 1,929 cents.

However, the board hopes to hold this year's final dividend should profits fall. The interest charge jumped by 67 per cent to R27 million in the six months and attributable net profit fell from R99.3 million to R98.3 million. Earnings were 727 cents (886 cents).

New group aims for \$1 billion in sales within 18 months

BICC to slim in N America

From Stephen Leather, New York

rationalize its North American operations which account for 10 per cent of group sales and 19 per cent of operating

It is looking at ways of cutting costs following the formation of BICC North

Sales were \$54 million America.

Under the new management company - chaired by Mr Harry Schell, who also sits on the main BICC board—are grouped Cablec Corporation, the biggest manufacturer of power, control and instrumentation cables in the US. and Phillips Cahles of Canada, which BICC has owned for more than 30 years.

Annual sales of BICC North America will be more than \$750 million, with about

Mr Scheil, aged 54, founded Cablec in 1984 after master-minding a \$16 million management buyout of the power cable business of Phelps Dodge Cable and Wire, the

Sales were \$54 million in 1984 and have since grown at an average annual rate of 43 per cent. Sales last year were \$355 million with \$500 million targeted for this year.

Cablec became a wbolly-

owned subsidiary of BICC last

Mr Schell's success bas acquisitions. come from acquiring unprofitpanies, slimming them down

BICC, the cables and con- 3,600 employees and 5 million given authority over Phillips a \$250 million five-year BICC's resources worldwide. struction group, is planning to sq ft of manufacturing space. and its 1,300 workers, he is revolving credit arrangement "In the bighly fragmenteed looking closely at cost savings. with a syndicate of US and Job losses will depend on how

the business is consolidated. He said: "If we consolidate the money to accelerate one plant, it will be a couple of growth in the North American hundred people, if we consolidate two plants it will be 300.

"We are taking a careful look at North American strat-egy which will be reviewed with the chief executive, Mr Robin Biggam, when he comes to Canada in August." Mr Schell is determined that on looking for acquisitions. sales growth will continue, organically and through

get in North America is to we serve. We believe we have break \$1 billion in sales within the best technology by virtue able and badly managed com- get in North America is to where necessary and reaching 18 months and and rise to as of all the companies we have Channel tunnel new agreements with the much as \$1.4 billion by 1993." acquired in the US and Canunions. Now that he has been Last month, BICC guaranteed ada. We intend to exploit guest of BICC.

international banks.

Mr Schell has earmarked cable markets.

BICC North America is looking at takeover deals worth some \$500 million at the moment, though not all the takeovers are expected to come to fruition. About half of Mr Schell's time is now spent

He said: "Our strategy is to be the dominant wire and cquisitions. cable company in North
He said: "Our internal tar"In the bighly fragmented

electronic instrumentation and control-cable industry where there are many competitors, we think the opportunities for acquisitions and growth in market share are excellent."

BICC concentrates on cable business in North America. though in Britain it is equally well known for its Balfour Beatty construction business which has a 10 per cent stake in the Transmanche-Link consortium building the Channel tunnel.

BICC has also joined with Trafalgar House and British Rail to build the high-speed line from London to the Channel tunnel. The author visited the US as a

told their parent's board, then headed by Mr John Gunn, about the exposure on April The board then requested a further report from Atlantic, which said a £149.9 million

£160m

exposure'

By Angela Mackay

DIRECTORS of Atlantic

Computers have informed

their administrators that they

told the board of British &

Commonwealth in April last

year about an uncovered exposure in Britain of £160

In a document sent to Price

Waterhouse this week, At-

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B&C was
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provision needed to be made. The 1989 internal pre-tax profit forecast at the computer company was downgraded from £37.1 million to £24.4 million as a result. The time lapse between the

alleged warning and the action taken — one year — makes it difficult for Mr Gunn to defend his position on the board. He is became chief executive after Sir Peter Thompson assumed the chairmanship this year.

Sources who sighted a copy of the report said the Atlantic directors noted the company's financial state had not changed materially since April last year and said they were at a loss about the reasons for B&C's decision at Easter to appoint administrative receivers. B&C shares are still suspended on the Stock Exchange after the company announced it was writing off its entire £550 million investment in Atlantic and had

appointed receivers. As part of a rescue plan, B&C has promised to sell £750 million of its assets hy mid-1991. As well as B&C Merchani Bank, the group is trying to sell Exco International, the money broker.

The deal, which is in the early stages of negotiation, involves a management buyout and the sale of part of the husiness to a bank.

SG Warburg, B&C's mercbant hank, has been canvassing the group's bankers, bond holders and loan stock holders, trying to convince the group's backers to support a complex series of plans, which it hopes to make public this

Decline in profits at Harding

By Philip Pangalos

THE interim decline at Harding Group, the distributor of electrical, electronic and engineering products, continued as pre-tax profits slipped to £821.000 in the year to end-March, against £1.25 million previously,

Turnover, boosted by acquisitions, advanced by 33 per cent to £28.4 million. Earnings per share fell from 7.15p to 3.64p, but the final dividend is maintained at 1.65p, making an unchanged total of 2.75p.

Mr Dennis Harding, chairman, said higher interest rates are resulting in lower capital investment in both industry and construction. While these conditions prevail, restoring margins will be difficult.

The group sold its Earthspan concrete floor joint business in January, realizing £5 million in a move to focus on the distribution of industrial products and reduce gearing. Earthspan contributed an operating profit of £715,000 on turnover of £6.09 million. Gearing of 220 per cent at year-end has been eliminated.

There is an extraordinary charge of £124,000, relating to last September's sale of the loss-making heating spares



Hornby's model performance

MR JACK Strowger (above), chairman of Hornby Group, the model railway to sports boat company, told shareholders at yesterday's annual meeting that the company could look forward to a continuing strong performance in 1990.

"I am pleased to report that both sectors of the group's business are continuing to do well," he said. "In the case of Hornby Hobbies, orders received, sales, and production are currently significantly ahead of the corresponding period last

year," he said. "The situation for the Fletcher business shows a similar pattern. The relocation to the new factory is progressing well and will provide greatly improved facilities, allowing for future expansion.

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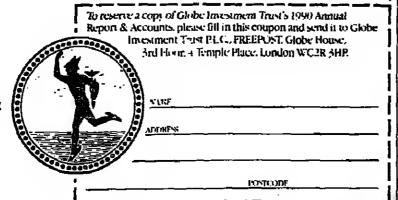
Attributable profits Year ended 31st March, 1990	£34.67m	up 28%
Earnings	6.+ ~ p	up 27%
Dividend proposed (including proposed final dividend - ±.0p)	5.78p	up 16%

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He told Southwark Crown Court Sir Jack sought to persuade him of the merits of Guinness rather than its rival Argyll, hat the approach had no influence on Prudential assenting its 4 per cent holding in Distillers to the brewer. Lord Hunt said he made a note of the meeting. "He [Sir Jack] said the Prudential had a the Guinness bid.

unconditional.

sons why we should do so, placing particular emphasis on the management strengths he saw them." Lord Hunt said holding in Distillers?" the conversation was in gennothing in the information Sir on paper to the investment added he made it clear the Jack gave that was not avail- department but in fact the board had the final decision. able elsewhere. As non-exec- feeling of the investment com-

prosecuting asked: "Did you Argyll." say anything during the meet-

Belgian courts give PRB time to finish rescue plan

CREDITORS of PRB, the Astra and Société Générale de Générale about PRB's future last month began investigating loss-making Belgian munitloss maker limbed to the loss mak loss-making Belgian munit-ions maker linked to the Iraqi ing company from which As-"supergun" controversy through its connection with tra bought PRB, had been held Dr Gerald Bull, the murdered up hy the request for "bigger arms dealer, have been forced by the Belgian courts to keep Banque and Banque Indosuez profit of £2 million; instead it the company's credit facilities Belgique. in place for an extra three weeks.

But Mr Tony McCann, the chief executive of Astra, which owed to it by PRB. The courts, which were to is not putting any money rule on whether to grant the towards the rescne plan, said a company protection from its creditors on May 24, have "compromise" looks far more

"Its fixture still hangs in the said Mr Roy Barber, Astra's balance, but at least it's not in chairman. PRB had a conreceivership yet. The further extension by the court gives cause to think a satisfactory plan to keep PRB alive may be in the offing," he said.

PRB, which employs 1,300 people in five factories, will continue to trade with the help favour of PRB's request last of a "small loan" from La month for Chapter 11-style Générale until the court ruling been arrested and held for bankruptcy protectinn. The in late June. Astra, which questinning by the Ministry of rescue plan, formulated by claims it was misled by La Defence fraud squad, which

deal, dropped plans to sue it under Astra's former managefor compensation, and has ment.

settled out of court for "a Mr John Anderson, who guarantees" by PRB's prin-small sum" instead. Astra said resigned as an executive direc-cipal bankers — Générale de it was told PRB would make a tor last month without compensation, was questionmade a £12 loss. Astra has written nff the £20 million ed last week. Mr John Sellens, the former sales director, was also questioned.

The MoD, which charged Mr Christopher Gumbley, Astra's former chief executive, The Belgian government is now investigating PRB's involvement in the sale of gun propellants to Iraq via Jordan, with corruptly giving a £12,500 BMW car to Mr Denis Stowe, an MoD emtract, now lapsed, for "unployee also charged with corusual types of gun propellant for very large guns" with ATI of Athens, a defence agent of Iraq closely linked to Dr Bull and his Brussels-based Space Research Corporation ruptly receiving it, has also questioned a second MoD

Mr Barber said he knew no more about the continuing MoD investigation.

Astra has given warning that it will fall into "substantial losses" for the year to end-March, mainly as a result of the acquisition of PRR.

Global war on battlefield of wider share ownership

he war of words between British Coal Pension Funds, the aggressor, and Globe Investment Trust has reached a new and noisy pitch. Not without good cause, Globe sees itself as a shining light among investment trusts and neither the cash offer nor the two variants of it would persuade me to

In its defence document issued yesterday, Globe, sensibly, is not fighting on investment performance alone. Though good, this can be challenged. Where the confrontation is not conventional is in the field of Wider Share Ownership.

Globe has more shareholders (42,000) than any other investment trust, more shareholders in fact than the vast majority of quoted companies. There is a case, which I support, for making a well-managed investment trust the core of a private investment portfolio; and there are powerful arguments for not accepting an opportunistic bid that, in chairman David Hardy's words, completely

ignores what Globe is all about." The wider context in which the bid is set was well drawn by Michael Hart, chairman of the Association of Investment Trust Companies. Mr Hart has made his reputation by skilfully conducting the investment policies of Foreign & Colonial, the daddy of all investment trusts, not by making speeches. At the AITC's first annual

fter the equity market's daz-zling 63.3 point leap on Thursday, I had to consult

Confucius again without de-

lay. "Beware light at the end of tunnel," he murmured; "it may he

false dawn." He may be right - he

usually is - but it seems to me we can

take comfort from the positive way the

market reacted to what it most wanted

to hear - some "good" political news,

The market knows pretty accurately

the extent of the "bad" economic news

likely to hit it in the rest of this year. It

tends to be less sophisticated in its

political analysis. Though given from

time to time to optimistic assessments

(wishful thinking) of what Labour

would do if it were the next govern-

ment, it must prefer the Conservative

or portents rather than news.



dinner on Wednesday he excelled

Unsurprisingly, as he was defending his own, he saw the Coal Board Pension Fund "hithely digging away in the dark, quite oblivious of the damage it is doing to the revival of a useful part of the City infrastructure, and in particular to the cause of wider share ownership and popular capitalism."

But, he went on: "That may not cut any ice with institutions. There are some managers who would sell their grandmother if they could get the right price for her. But I cannot see how it is in anybody's interest to sell £1 hillion of their assets at a discount near the bottom of the market."

Then, addressing the basic problem of investment trusts in hid situations - the discount at which their share prices stand to underlying net asset values — he claimed it was "an oversimplification to say because there is a discount there is oversupply. On the same grounds there should be fewer banks, insurance companies and

'60s and '70s when high tax drove the private investor out of shares into taxprivileged areas. We have already reversed that trend with a new and competitive investment product."

How much real notice will the grandmother sellers take of Mr Hart? Seventy per cent of investment trust shares are held by institutions and the mass of UK companies is controlled by 30. They will decide the fate of Globe. If they throw it to the Coal Funds they will have condoned wiping out the biggest investment trust and 5 per cent of the investment trust sector at a promising stage of its recovery. They will have reinfirced the cynics' opinion that the City doesn't care a fig for wider share ownership except during privatization sales.

The AITC is sore with the Coal Funds because the way has just been cleared by the Securities and Investments Board for it to tackle the mass savings market with savings schemes. The word sent buzzing through the industry by its dedicated and zealous leader, Philip Chappell, is "marketing." Not all investment trust managements have yet woken up to the wider responsibilities and new opportunities, and many may prefer to stay askeep. Their aggregate fees are run-ning at about £150 millinn a year and they spend £10 million on marketing their wares. They may need to reverse

Backlash by institutions predicted

Research Corporation.

Meanwhile, two further for-

Hanson attacks **US** bid barriers

given PRB until the end of

June to put the finishing

Acquired by Astra Hold-ings, the troubled British mu-

nitions and fireworks com-

pany, in a £21.5 million deal last year, the indebted PRB is

certain to fall into receivership should the court nnt rule in

touches to a rescue plan.

By Carol Leonard

LORD Hanson, chairman of Hanson - which this week revealed that it had more than £6 billion at its disposal in cash and facilities — and Britain's past master of the contested takeover hid, is critical of the growing corporate protectionism in the US, considers hostile acquisitions no longer possible there but predicts an im-minent backlash by the big US investment institutions.

Speaking at Smith New Court's annual dinner, held at the former Astor family home, Cliveden, in Buckinghamshire, he said: "When it comes in takeovers in the US, Sir James Goldsmith might tell us the game is over. It is not over. But the rules and playing fields are constantly being changed - and often those changes are to protect sleepy management and to win votes.

"To work within these rules, the British husinessman has to do more homework and stay away from hostile hids that are probably not going to work anyway."

He pointed out that 39 states now have some form of anti-takeover law. "It is a sad sight," he went on, "in the US, the bastion of free enterprise."

But there was, he said, mounting pressure among institutinnal fund managers for a reversal of such regulations and attitudes.

"Institutional fund managers across the US are flexing their muscles and saying that their legal responsibility is to do the best they can for their shareholders. Increasingly, they are objecting to these rules."

Lord Hanson, who rarely speaks in public, had clearly been persuaded by the promise that a number of his own key institutional shareholders would be there to listen to



Hanson: "More of us must rally round the flag" Among the 100 assembled vative Party political broad-

guests - who included Mr cast. John Wakeham, the Secretary frey Mulcahy, chief executive of Kingfisher, Mr Norman of Carlon Communications, Mr Ian Maxwell, son of Rohert, and Mr Greg Huchings, chief executive of Tomkins — were a large number of prominent fund managers who, both singularly and collectively, held a significant number of Hanson shares.

"All my most important customers are here," Lord Hanson observed. But it was those same "important cusaback when the entrepreneur-

Despite insisting: "I'm not of State for Energy, Mr Geof- politically biased - I em ployed Glenda Jackson for a TV commercial. She is one of Ireland, chairman of Bowater, the newest Labour candidates, Mr Michael Green, chairman wearing some of her oldest

better but voters are fickle and ungrateful."

When he finished, one highly influential investment director remarked: "It's not tomers" who were most taken surprising that he holds those views, but it is surprising that, ial peer then turned his atten-tion to the British political his colnurs so firmly and so arena, which came across as a publicly to the mast. His particularly fervent Conser- bridges are hurning."

EC set to get tough over Rover

From Michael Binyon Brussels

THE European Commission is expected to take a tough position over the repayment of inducements offered to British Aerospace for the pur-

chase of Rnver.

This follows the decision by
Sir Leon Brittan, the competition commissioner, to ask Renault to repay much of the debt write-offs paid by the French government.

Sir Leon is now expected to demand that Rover repay all of the £38 million offered as inducements, and may demand a proportion of the undervaluation of the sale.

Commission sources have confirmed that he will now recommend to fellow commissioners that Renault repay about FF8.4 hillion (£895 million). The Commission is likely to endorse his recommendation on Wednesday.

Mrs Thatcher have improved.

Paving the way for a bull run

The fact that the Chancellor of the Exchequer, both in his Wall Street Journal interview and in his speech to the Confederation of British Industry annual dinner, seemed to be contemplating membership of the Exchange Rate Mechanism of the European Mnnetary System sooner rather than later suggested two things.

First, that the Government was regaining its nerve, helped no doubt by bad, as distinct from disastrous, local election results, and had grasped the fact that the Prime Minister's chauvinism made a significant percentage of voters uneasy. Second, that the City believes that in the early stages at least sterling would be safer within the ERM than without. The City in the

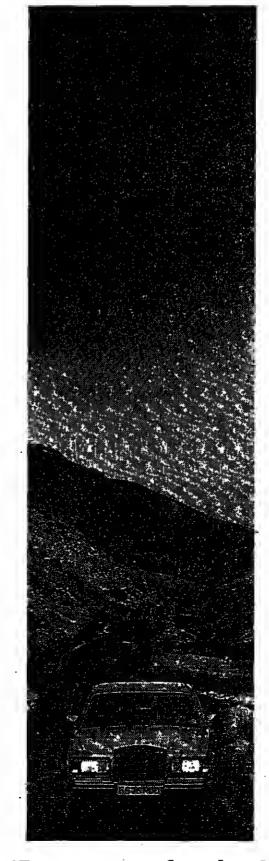
regime to continue. The prospects for last two weeks has been working itself away from a position in which it felt interest rates might have to go higher to one where it is confident that the next move in rates will be down. With John Major's help it is nearly there. Both the gilt-edged and money markets have tentatively taken this on board and it is the key to stabilizing ordinary shares in preparation for the next hull market.

> This could be some way off; it depends on the relative fortunes of the two main parties.

I stay with my prediction that the general election will be in the autumn of 1991, and my feeling that full membership of the EMS is an important date in the political timetable as well as a financial event of some consequence.



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The Guinness Trial

Approach 'had no effect' on voting by Prudential

LORD John Hunt, the chairman of Prudential Corporation, told a court that an approach by Sir Jack Lyons, the financier, had no effect on the company backing the Guinness bid.

The former Cabinet Secretary said Sir Jack approached him in April 1986, days before the Guinness £2.7 billion offer for Distillers went Sir Jack: under pressure'

had made a decision about how you would deal with the Prudential holding." Lord Hunt replied: "Very much the opposite, because I told him the Prudential normally made sizeable holding in Distillers their decisions very much late to Prudential investors of putand he hoped we would accept in the day when it was a contested bid and we tend to wait "He then outlined the rea until the last moment."

influence on the way Prudenand of Mr Ernest Saunders as tial decided to deal with the eral terms but there was reported the approach to me Lord Hunt replied "yes." He

However, he admitted at trial continues.

the end of the day, Prudential backed Guinness as it had already wnn more than 50 per cent of acceptances from Distillers holders. Mr Robert Harman, QC, defending Sir Jack, asked why Lord Hunt was in court as he was on no list of prosecution witnesses.

The reply was that officers of the Prudential read newspaper reports that he had been persuaded to back Guinness by Sir Jack. Lord Hunt added it was an innacurate picture. The court has heard that when Sir Jack was interviewed by ing leading him to think you Government inspectors investigating the bid, he claimed he was under pressure to recruit supporters for Guinness. And he agreed Sir Jack had set out in general terms the benefit to the country and ting its Distillers stock behind

Mr Harman asked: "He Mr Chadwick asked: "Did sought to persuade you of the what he said to you have any ments of an improved company under Ernest Saunders rather than James Gulliver [of Argyll] he said Ernest Lord Hunt said: "No. I Saunders was the best man."

Guinness.

Ernest Saunders, aged 54, able elsewhere. As non-cate-utive chairman, he was not involved in the consideration of the rival bids.

Mr John Chadwick, QC, Mr John Chadwick, QC, Areyll."

Mr John Chadwick, QC, Areyll."

Emest Saunders, aged 34, Gerald Ronson, aged 50, An-thony Parnes, aged 44, and Sir came before the board was that we should in fact support Companies Act breaches. The

STOCK MARKET

WALL STREET

Dow falls at opening

New York
THE Dow Jones industrial average fell by 8 points to 2,823.71 in early trading.

omon, a technical analyst with Bear Stearns, said: "This is such a guessing game on options expiration day. The

A weak bond market and profit-taking followed recent gains in shares as traders waited for the expiration of key futures and index options, analysts said. Mr Jack Sol- to 13.

opening does not necessarily indicate the trend for the day. It's an excuse for profittaking."

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Equities drop as the funds finally take their profits

busiest mornings for months prices finally tempted sellers into the open.

By 10am, some 300 million shares had been traded - the highest volume, the London Siock Exchange thought, for about 18 months. By 1pm, as the wave of selling slowed, that figure had risen to 473 million. Before Thursday's record-breaking dealings, when more than 650 million shares were traded, the average day's turnover in May had been under 380 million.

Market-makers, still short of stock, began the day in cautious mood. But a sharp rise in the June FT-SE 100 futures contract, at one point opening up a 40-point pre-mium to fair value, left them with no alternative but to mark the prices of the underlying shares sharply higher. But, as the rise in the FT-SE 100 index hit 37 points shortly before 9am, the institutions nerve cracked and the selling

Prices fell sharply as funds rushed to cash in on the gains made in Thursday's 63.3 point rise. More than 150 million shares were traded between 9am and 10am, but, despite this heavy volume, the Stock Exchange pronounced itself pleased with the way the market coped.

The gains were wiped out in £10.4 million. two hours and by midday the FT-SE 100 was showing a fall of about 5 points. By contrast, the FT-30 index continued to show single-figure gains all day, indicating that institutions were selling some of the second-line stocks that had advanced specification. become involved in Thursday's euphoria.

Wall Street. At 3pm it was those shidown 11 at 2,273.4, with the yesterday. discount to the June FT-SE futures contract at its lowest

for some time. · The most dramatic fall of contraction group Conder, where an AGM statement

stood at 905p. Storehou Mr Stewart-Smith said the to 110p. £6 million of losses made by

LONDON had one of its By about 3pm, the FT 30 statistics for the domestic as a further sharp rise in share. However, the broader-based find Thursday's buying spree FT-SE 100 index eased further spreading into in the retail and those shares lost ground

> performers in the retail sector, fell 14p to 968p, while Burton the day came at the specialist Group fell 3p to 175p. Body Shop fell 5p to 465p, while Next shed 2p to 66p. Other from the chairman, Mr Chris-topher Stewart-Smith, sent the were Marks and Spencer high street names to suffer shares tumbling 265p to 350p. down 1p at 215p, WH Smith Only six weeks ago, the shares A 5p lower at 310p and Storehouse, which slipped 2p

> But the fall was not univerthe group's specialist cladding sal. A visit by analysts to the subsidiary, Elemeta, in the last group's new London head-

> Greenall Whitley, the diversified brewer, lost half Thursday's gain and fell 4p to 313p. Kleinwort Benson rates Greenall as a buy now that the group's De Vere hotels chain is unlikely to make expensive acquisitions. Kleinwort expects the brewer to make pre-tax profits of £60 million in the year to September, putting the shares on a price/earnings multiple of 9.8.

repeated in the current year and could be even bigger. "Coupled with the downturn in the construction industry generally, this uncertain factor means that profits for the year are likely to be significantly lower." In the year to December, Conder - a former stock market favourite - increased its profits by 67 per cent to

The problems stem from cladding contracts at three developments - one in Uxbridge and two in the City, at Broadgate and America Square. At all three developments the cladding is of an

financial year were likely to be quarters allowed Ratners repeated in the current year Group to hold on to Thurday's gain at 244p. The Dunbill luxury goods retailer stood out with a 9p gain to 379p, making a two-day improvement of 21p, while Alexon rose 3p to 416p. John Menzies, the newsagent, rose 5p to 317p.

there was similar two-way traffic. But specialist housebuilders were surprisingly improved despite the Chancellor's warning that interest rates were unlikely to fall soon. Berkeley rose 6p to 168p, Westbury 3½p to 152½p, Wilson Bewden 6p to 278p, and Wilson Connolly 2p advanced specification. to 161p. The more diversified developer Crest Nicholson stream of poor economic rose 6p to 159p.

In the construction sector

was still I point up at 1,796.7. economy, it was surprising to 30 index showed, leading international stocks held up reasonably well until Wal following a weak opening by construction sectors. Many of Street's weak opening. Hanson, whose cash war chest has prompted much of this week Great Universal Stores A, activity, rose 3p to 233p, as one of Thursday's star did Hanson's much-tipped target Blue Circle Industries. up 3p at 228p.

The possible intentions of Sir James Goldsmith, RHM 29 per cent shareholder, sav the company put on 7p 10 289p. But Sir James's forme target, BAT Industries, slipped 3p to 693p. ICI eases only 3½p to £11.53, while Glaxo shed 7p to 795p.

One of the best performer was the Laporte chemical company, which launched £144 million rights issue on Thursday. The issue appear to have gone down well with analysts, who believe the company's reduced gearing will leave it well placed to exploit opportunities on both sides of the Atlantic. Laporte improved 14p to 525p. Among the privatization issues, British Steel fell 4p to

143p, helped on its way down by a sell recommendation from County Natwest. British Gas fell 31/2p to 214p, while BP tumbled 9p to 321p. British Airways, on the othe hand, climbed 4p to 210p ahead of next week's figures. Elsewhere in the oil and ga sector, Burmah and Calor both buoyed on Thursday by

hopes that SHV would add to its existing stakes, lost ground Burmah feli 3p to 595p, while the Calor Group ran back op to 265p. Ultramar, which reported disappointing results this week, fell 6p to 336p.

Matthew Bond

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CGT ALLOWANCE, April 1990

Tokyo doldrums

THE Nikkei index closed which to fluctuate. 47.88 points, or 0.15 per cent, Hong Kong - The Hang lower at 32,013.72. Shares Seng index ended 8.26 up at were slightly lower as worries 2,925.89. Shares ended firmer that interest rates may remain high made it hard for the staging a rebound for technical market to shake off the reasons. doldrums.

erence point of 32,000 around after drifting lower and then reasons,

• Singapore - The Straits Mr Tetsuya Fukami, the Times industrial index head of equities at Shearson climbed 23.97 to 1,552.88. Lehman Hutton Asia Inc. said Prices closed sharply firmer there was a general feeling that on a sudden surge in foreign the Nikkei has found a ref- buying. (Renter) (Reuter)

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Employers wait for Government to act on retirement age

Women face longer working lives after pensions ruling

COMPANIES are set to change the age at which meo and women retire, to bring them into line, but they want the government to act first and change the state retirement

Any reduction of the male retirement age below 64 would be more expensive for both the state and employers than the current retirement differential, even though women would be required to work beyood 60. It is therefore most likely that womeo will have to work longer.

The Department of Social Security said it was io discussions on a new pension age providers want the governbut it was not working to a specific deadline.

The European Court this week ruled that occupational pension schemes should apply the same retirement benefits to men as they do to women. The case iovolved a man made redundant at 52, but the pensions industry agrees that it means that in future pen-sions will be equated with pay. Men and women will have to be treated the same even though pensions as such are excluded from the Sex

Discrimination Act. Employers and pensions antee to pay a proportion of

ment to come to a decisioo oo the state retirement age in the near future, so that they cao tie in with it

They argue it is oo use their making pensions at 60 available to male employees, at great cost to themselves, if the men will not get a state pension. Only the privileged few io very good pension schemes cao retire at 60 without a state pension as well, said Mr Brian Simmoods of Sun Life.

The vast majority of pension schemes, which guarthe employees' final salary as pension, have different retirement ages for men and womeo. Meo io these chemes, who want to retire five years early at 60, face drawing a pension reduced by about 30 per cent to take account of five years' less contributions and the payment of the pension for five years' longer.

In the most recent survey of National Association of Pensions Fuods' members 43 per cent of those who replied had equalised pension ages already. But members of the NAPF tend to provide the better schemes and those who reply to its annual survey are again likely to be proud of the

benefits they offer. Of those who had equalised the retirement age 43 per cent had opted for 60 and 42 per cent had chosen 65. Those who had ebosen 60 had tended to be among the first schemes to offer an equal pensioo age.

Mr Mike Brown of NAPF said:"The schemes which are equalising now tend to choose 65. This is partly because of pension costs and also because

eocourage existing employees "Even choosing an equal pensioo age of 64 1/4, which is said to be cost oeutral, would be more expensive for employers who had very few

of demographic consid-

erations. Employers want to

female employees. Mr Simmonds said that approximately 80 per cent of all pension schemes had the state retirement ages, "There

is oo point in retiring at 60 oo a reduced pension if you have got to wait five years for the pension. If men have to spend five years as technically unemployed before they get their state pension it would not be very satisfactory."

He said that if schemes brought io a joint retirement age of 65 it could reduce the cost of pensions. Women would draw pensions for five years less, make five years' more contributions and the mooey would remain invested for five years longer.

Mr Ron Spill of Legal & General said:"The industry does oot want to be faced with a constant stream of cases oo pensions equality. We need to change to a way that does oot iovolve any discrimination. It might be possible to safeguard the existing retirement age for womeo over 40. But such phasing in could still cause problems in the courts in the

He added that widowers' pensioos could become obligatory. The provision of a widows' pensioo of half the husband's pensioo is commoo but widowers' pensions are less so, although on average the cost of providing widowers' pensions is a quarter of providiog widows pensions.

Company schemes already face having to apply their surpluses to improve the pensions of early leavers and they want to know what the impact of equal retirement is going to be before they use these surpluses.



Insurers help on Tubbs

SIX major insurance com- it had checked Mr Tubbs' owed £50,000. Both refused to panies including the Prudential are helping the Securities and Investments Board and the police with inquiries into the iovestment business done by Mr Aotony Tubbs, a for-mer solicitor.

A bankruptcy order against Mr Tubbs was made by the Truro Couoty Court on May 4. He was arrested on May 10. when police removed several boxes of files from his home in Falmouth, Cornwall. He was oot charged, hut released on police bail pending further inquiries.

Invesugatioos are also helieved to have widened to take in a possible coonection between Mr Tubbs and two Surrey-based members of Fimbra, the Financial Intermediaries Managers and Bro-

kers Regulatory Association. Mr Tuhbs became a tied agent of Allied Dunbar after being struck off as a solicitor for using clients' money and serving a prison sentence. He sold Allied Dunbar products for 10 years until they parted company in December. The investment group said references but did oot know of comment, though one said she his background.

He operated from his home in Bar Road, Helford Passage, Falmouth; an office at Ebury Street, Loodoo SW1: and another home io Bramshott, Hampshire.

Since the Financial Services Act came ioto operatioo two years ago, tied agents have been authorized only to pass business to the company to which they are tied. Independents, such as Fimbra members, can deal with a variety.

The Plymouth official receiver's office ioitially listed 22 unsecured creditors owed £215,000 hy Mr Tubbs. This has since been revised to 29 creditors owed about £300,000, but the receiver is still trying to establish a final

> Mr Tuhbs' assets are shown as just £150, including cash in hand, by the statement of affairs filed with the Truro

The largest creditors listed are two womeo - one in Falmouth owed £67,000 and another in Bideford, Devon,

police to discuss the matter. Lloyds Bank is among seven creditors owed £10,000.

At Prudential Holborn, Mr. Alan Wren, chief executive, said that following a request from the SIB for information, the group had checked the Vanburgh divisioo back to the early 'eighties and found about 50 clients who bad placed husiness through Mr Tubbs.

"We doo't know whether what we have is what the clients think we have," said Mr Wren, estimating total investments beld at about £100.000.

A spokesman for Equity & Law said the company was continuing to help the SIB and the police, but did not yet know the scope of its involvement with clients of Mr Tubbs.

At M&G, Mr Tim Miller said his group had no record of being asked for informa-

Leeds drops £½m advertising campaign after tax mistake

By Lindsay Cook

THE Leeds Permaocot build- Societies Association's ciring society bas had to change a culars oo the subject and had £500,000 advertising campaign because it could mislead investors and cause them to partment. fall foul of the Inland

Tax Free Gold account, which there had been no intention to pays interest gross so long as investors do oot receive the interest until after April 6. 1991, stated that anyone could have interest paid gross "just so long as the interest earned does not exceed your personal tax allowance in the 1991/2

Investors who signed-up for the account io this belief would have found that tax was deducted after all if they had any other earnings.

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But when telephoned, the society's helplice repeated that interest would be paid gross so long as it did not exceed the allowance. No questioos were asked about other earnings, although the Leeds went on to say that a husband and wife could each invest £20,000 without paying

A spokeswoman for the society said the advertisement complied with the Building

beeo cbecked by the society's internal compliance com-

But later she said that the advertisements were to be The advertisements for the changed immediately and that Mr Mark Boleat, director

general of the Building Societies Association, said: "Noooe vets building societies' advertisements in advance. We have indicated what we thought was necessary, although we accept there's going to be an awful mess as CRT is

"I don't believe building societies want investors to be misled. There is no advantage

The Inland Revenue will require ooo-taxpayers to sign declarations that their total earnings are expected to be below the tax allowance limit. These forms are not expected to be available until the end of the year. Those investors who fail to certificate themselves by next April will have to claim back the tax deducted

from savings. Other societies offering gross-paid accounts, which pay interest after CRT is scrapped, could also confuse investors. Some offer interest

more, but allow no withdraw als and pay no interest until

People who invested such a large sum now would undoubtedly have an income above their tax allowance as interest of more than £6.500 would be earned - more than double the iodividual tax allowance. And interest will continue to clock up in 1991 if the sum remains invested.

The only way they can be sure of not paying tax would be to invest such a sum in the autumn or to choose a time deposit, which does not allow withdrawals but can pay interest gross on deposits placed for much shorter periods.

The accounts, which postpone the interest until next year, are best for smaller iovestors with no other earnings.

· An indication of the rush offsbore to take advantage of independent taxation was given by the profit and loss statement of Abbey National (Overseas), published this week. In 1989 the Jersey subsidiary made a pre-tax profit of £4.5 millioo compared with less than £1 million in 1988. The former huilding society was warned by the Jersey authorities not to advertise its gross-paid accounts rates oo sums of £50,000 and to housewives.

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Low-starts come home to roost

As if high interest rates were not enough, low-start borrowers now face

repaying their enlarged mortgages

time to come.

The early low-start mort- second year. gage schemes charge lower increase their repayments to ing the deferred interest. make up the discounts of He added: "On a £35,000 about £100 a month on a loan that represents a 7 per

There are various types of rates stay the same low-start mortgage. Some recoup the shortfall through higher monthly repayments, while others add the money owed to the original mortgage so borrowers are repaying a larger loan than they started out with.

most hardship in the early years but, with salary increases and promotion, they can afford to repay the subsidy a few years' later.

But if pay rises only keep pace with inflation, these borrowers will find it difficult to meet the larger mortgage costs as well as paying higher prices for the rest of their household

This could intensify an already worsening arrears employment and marriage gage rate.

Monthly repayments at the

BORROWERS with low-start Mr Rob Skinner, of the mortgages could face repay-ment difficulties if, as the society, said: "The early Chancellor of the Exchequer schemes had very much a has given warning, interest short-term benefit and borrates remain high for some rowers were faced with a hefty rise in payments after the

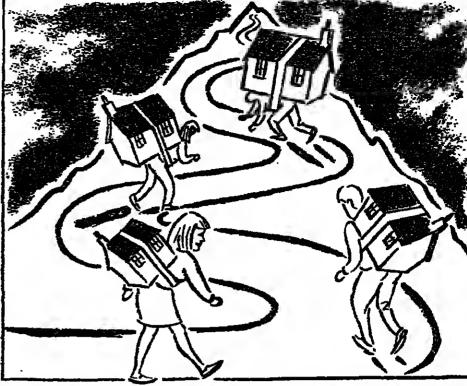
The Nationwide scheme interest for the first two, three cuts interest by 3 per cent or four years, after which the initially but then increases shortfall has to be repaid. The payments gradually over the first homeowners who took next four years. From the fifth this option will soon have to year, borrowers begin repay-

£50,000 loan, on top of paying cent increase in repayments current high interest rates. each year, assuming interest each year, assuming interest

> The Cheshire building society operates a different type of low-start scheme which does not increase the overall debt. Mr Paul Knight, assistant

general manager marketing, said: "On a £48,000 montgage we would lend 100 per cent The theory behind low-hut use the 5 per cent deposit starts is that housebuyers face of £2,400 to reduce the cost in the early years. In the first year we use half, £1,200, to cut payments by £100 a mnnth and then a quarter in each of the next two years. For someone who started this a year ago, their payments would now be increasing by £50 a month to take account of

this."
The Halifax first introduced similar low-start mortgage eight years ago. A 5 per cent deposit is used to subsidize problem. Last year, serious monthly repayments for the arrears rose sharply, with societies blaming high interest £50,000 just moving into year rates for the first time, instead four will have to pay an extra of the traditional causes of £66.67 a month, including a 1 debt problems such as un- per cent increase in the mort-



full rate are now £513.55. If the 5 per cent had been used as a deposit and the customer had borrowed just £47,500, payments would be £483.34 a month. But the repayments are no more expensive than a non-discounted £50,000 loan because the borrower's own money has been used to subsidize repayments.

The Chelsea huilding society's deferred interest scheme scounts repayments in year one by 40 per cent, reducing annually until year five when they are back to 100 per cent. The under-payments are

For a £60,000 endowment loan, the interest-only payments in year one are £404, rising by £100 each year, on top of any rise in interest rates. The normal endowment mortgage costs £674 a month,

which means that over five years the low-start borrower pays £4,000 less in

repayments.
With a low-start mortgage, this £4,000 is added to the loan for the remainder of the period. Interest is therefore payable on a higher amount. After 25 years, the low-start will have cost £25,000 more.

The Chelsea's new firsttime buyers' scheme cuts the interest rate for new customers by 2 per cent until the end of 1991 and extends the

mortgage over 40 years.

But the 2 per cent is deducted from a mortgage rate 0.5 per cent higher than most added to the loan outstanding at 15.9 per cent. On current rates, a Chelsea borrower starting a discounted loan in June will pay higher interest than most society's charge for

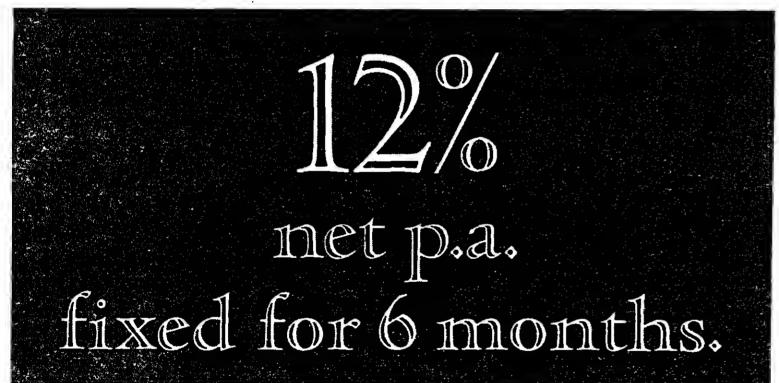
Mr Colin Miller, marketing director of the Mortgage Corporation, where the standard mortgage rate is 15.65 per cent, said: "If you could have afforded the standard mortgage at today's interest rates at the outset, then you can probably afford deferred interest after capitalization because the salary increase vou need over three years is

quite low. "In the mean time salaries will have gone up on average 8 or 9 per cent a year so the ability to service a loan will

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from Murray Noble, the financial advisers. The guide suggests four main tax saving checks for husbands and wives which could save several hundred pounds a year. It also checks cash flow plans and has other tips for getting on top of can be paid into a saver's bank

Girobank has launched an International Money Order service to help customers who wish to send cash ahroad. Through a link with American Express, the equivalent of up to \$1.000 can be sent for a charge of £3.50. The service uses American Express money orders, which can be cashed at Amex offices or banks.

Town & Country building society has introduced a lowstart mortgage with a discount of 2 per cent in the first year and I per cent in the second. At present rates, borrowers would pay 13.4 per cent in following year. But they pay for the difference from year three onwards, when an extra 0.5 per cent is charged over the basic mortgage rate. Loans start at £15,001 and there is no

maximum. Bradford & Bingley huilding society has launched an offshore account which pays gross interest and regular income. The Maximiser Independent Income account pays gross interest of 14.25 per cent on balances between £5,000 and £250,000. Interest

or building society account in Britain, unlike many gross'accounts which will not pay, interest until after 6 April;

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The trial an fraud charges of eight bank directors and nfficials was halted a fortnight ago when the judge ruled that there had been undue delay. The Manx government has now proposed an inquiry to look into its own response to the bank's failure.

The inquiry will not examine the conduct of the Manx authorities before the bank closed, but an unpublished report - nf which Family Mnney has seen a copy - does explare exactly this, li reveals

* The then-Manx government supported SIB at a time when the bank was invulved in tax

The government ignored warnings from inside and nutside the SIB that it was insolvent. The report was prepared by

a lawyer and two accountants. appointed as inspectors by the Isle of Man High Court at the request of Mr William Dawson, the island's Treasurer.

The inspectors' report has never been published, thrugh the current Manx government has said it does intend to make

An unpublished paper on the conduct of the authorities before the collapse of

an Isle of Man bank in 1982 will

further anger those who lost savings

public eventually. More than 500 pages long, it repre-sents three-and-a-half years'

The report reveals how UK Inland Revenue officials nb-tained a Manx court order requiring the SIB to disclose the bank won an appeal against the disclosure nrders.

The inspectors also found that the quarterly returns appeared simply to have been

"There was no record of any analysis of, or comment upon, those returns, nr nn SIB's activities generally," the report says.

From mid-1980 nnwards, the quarterly returns became incomplete and included fluctuatinns which, the inspectors say, should have led to enquiries from the Treasury.
"We can find nn evidence nf enquiry being made," they

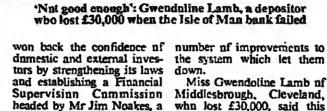
By February 1981 the bank, according in its nwn quarterly figures, was actually insolvent. Further figures in August and Navember confirmed this. Again, nn enquiries were

When the inspectors applied for a court order compelling government ufficials to give evidence, their lawyers told the court that as the bank was in liquidation, the appointment of the inspectors was a nullity: they had no right details of two accounts. But to demand evidence from

> The inspectors comment: "We found this submission, made nn behalf nf the Treasurer on whose application we had been appointed some twn years earlier, startling."

The bank's licence was finally withdrawn nn June 25, 1982, when it was apparent that it was unable in meet its nbligatinns, having made massive loans which were nnt repaid by the borrowers.

The bank's 3,000 nr so depositors could nut, nf course, have munitored the lending of their savings to a succession of companies and individuals. Their reliance was un the regulatory machincry of the Isle of Man government, and the inspectors' report illustrates beyond dnubt that such machinery Since 1982 the island has



supervision of the banking and investment industry is now thugher than that no the British mainland,

But investors whose funds were lost when the bank failed are nnt to be satisfied by any

the system which let them down.

Miss Gwendoline Lamb nf Middlesbrough, Cleveland, whn lost £30,000, said this former Bank of England ofweek: "They are giving a nod and a wink tn depositors, In some respects, Manx saying that we will be given or gratia payments, but this is simply not good ennugh. Anything short of a full refund would be a disgrace

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Property funds slump in value

By Jon Ashworth

INVESTORS in Allied Duobar property funds saw the value of their boldings plunge this week, following continuing difficulties io the prop-

erty market. The group has down-valued its life and property funds by 8 per ceot and 9 per cent respectively, wiping millions of pounds aff their value. The move affects 100,000 inves-

including contributions from the group's property iovestment bond. The pension fund is valued at £455 million.

Property funds have been down-valued several times in the past 15 years, but investors were critical of the size of the

present fall. Mr Bob Allen, a divisinnal manager in Allied Dunbar's

tors. The Allied Dunbar life finance department, blamed fund is valued at £330 million, the fall nn a "fundamental" shift in the property market.

> The life and pension property funds iovest mainly in British commercial property. Property funds of other investment groups which specialize in residential property have also proved poor investments, with unitholders unable to obtain their cash for



Financial foot in the door

By Lindsay Cook

draft wills in a bid to drum up business. Others are telephoning people at home in after advice on inheritance tax.

Both developments are a sign of the desperately flat housing market and high interest rates which have cut the number of endowment policies being sold and reduced the amount of spare cash available for investment.

The helpful offers are designed as an entree to new clients and as a way of finding out about their existing assets making a call is not complying wife's recent birthday if they

and jovestments. Those offering to draft wills gleaned in the process will a life assurance policy. often tell the customers that

The inheritance tax planners will try to sell life assurance in cover any potential tax bill and possibly other iovestments.

By providing a service first they gain the confidence of the clients and their gratitude.

about some of the schemes which are being used as a way round the cold-calling rules of the Securities and Investments Board and the Life Assurance and Unit Trust Regulatory Organisation. Under SIB's canduct of earnings, ages and assets and

nnt been previously agreed should immediately be stated. In the case of someone affer-

ing inheritance tax planning

they should mentino they may also try to sell life assurance. A SIB spokesman said the rise io the iocidence of such cold calling was the result of the shurtage of mortgage business, which meant that brokers were looking for oew

openings. "Anyone nnt identifying what their motives are when with the rules."

One couple were left feeling immediate effect. at a special cheap rate or for they would die debtors, defree may contact the customer spite owning a £200,000 later, and with information house, if they did not take out

from a broker, who they had never dealt with before, asking if she was aware that inheritance tax starts at £128,000 and that the couple lived io a property worth considerably

more than that. "He asked if he could come and talk to us and I said Regulators are concerned straightaway, 'If you think we have got a lot of mnney I have

to tell you that we haven't'." The broker did not tell the couple, whn are approaching retirement, where be abtained their names from. He took dnwn information about their

BROKERS and other invest- business rules, the purpose of later sent a report of findings ment salesmen are offering to any call or approach that has and recommendations for the

couple.
This stated that it was the cauple's princity in make provisinn against a potential liability to inheritance tax of £27,000. This could be resolved by taking nut a £30 a month life assurance policy which would be paid no the second death,

The couple were advised they would need to act quickly. The broker could affer them the while of life plan at the rate applicable before the undertook the policy "with

The report pointed nut that married couples' liability to inheritance tax could be reduced by passing part of the The wife said she received a estate in the intended benefineed life assurance telephone call nne evening ciary, but said it did nnt recommend it io this case.

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Berlin: one wall that has opened to foreign investors

Wall of privacy set to crumble in German firms

By Barbara Ellis

GERMANY could turn out to be as much of a lct-down for today's investors as for their grandfathers. Already enough of the Berlin Wall to constitute the Great Wall of China has been sold ahroad. mainly to be giftwrapped.

FAMILY MONEY

Mr Ronald and Mrs Nancy Reagan, the former US first family, recently took delivery of a wall chunk measuring one metre by three, while unit trust groups such as Royal London have handed out millimetre-sized morsels to publicize fund launches.

And fund managers taunching European smaller companies unit trusts, seemingly every week appear to be stretching their arguments just

wish to cut costs further have

to choose from.

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Passport borrowers also pay

a 2 per cent fee if they switch

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at 11.9 per cent at present. The second scheme, gives a

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ager of Baring German Growth Trust, for example, claimed recently that the new generation of Germans was richer, noisier, more triumphant and more amusing."

Mr Tristan Hillgarth, manager of Framlinton's European smaller companies fund, is a little more blunt. "If Gorbachev goes we have had it," he says.

However, Mr Odey and Mr Hillgarth have an investment belief in common. Both profess confidence that Germany's smaller companies will abandon the habits of 200 years - secretive borrowing from banks - and go to their stock market to raise money-This, they claim, will provide buying opportunities for their

But other professional investors point out there are important differences between Germany and Britain or the

US.
"It's not like here where anyone with two pennies to ruh together can get a quote and then go hust," says Mr Timothy Plaut, German market analyst with Warburg Securities, who sees more small companies coming to the market, but relatively

At MM Warburg, Brinck-mann, Wirtz in Hamburg, Herr Wolf Mendt Merck points out that small companies are not the only ones toprefer privacy.

Names as internationallyknown as Bosch are sull offlimits to investors because they are family owned - along with most of the profitable mail order houses and other large sections of industry.

The only connection between Warburg Hamburg and

Mr Crispin Odey, the man- Warburg London is that a nephew of the Hamburg firm's owner founded the London

> As a comparison: while the total market capitalization of companies in Britain is roughly equal to the country's Gross National Product, in Germany it represents only about a quarter of GNP.

Herr Mendt Merek, who manages Brown Shipley's £15 million German unit trust. says that thanks to a new breed of corporate finance manager, German companies are becoming more willing than in the past to seek stock market funding.

But he does not foresee any immediate flood of new issues. Last year, the German market saw 24 new issues, compared with just five in

MM Warburg is forecasting another 23 this year, with a further 22 during 1991 and

Herr Mendt Merck adds that foreigners currently pushing about £1 hillion net a month into the German market may find themselves having to buy non-voting preference shares, as owners of companies often use these as a way of raising money without

tosing control. Meanwhile, a chart tracking the FAZ (Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung) index and net purchases of German shares by foreigners shows a clear correlation. Ever since 1985, the main peaks and troughs in foreign net huying have practically matched highs and lows in the index.

In other words, in Germany foreigners have done most of their huying at the top and most of their selling at the

Mortgage aimed at converts

BEAR Stearns Home Loans, one of the new breed of mortgage lenders, has unveiled a scheme which combines the advantages of fixedrate and variable loans.

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Stearns Home Loans, said the

mortgage while interest rates stay high. "This is the first truly

convertible mortgage in the UK." said Miss Myerberg. "We have created what we believe is the ideal product for today's market which is difficult to call."

New borrowers who take out a Passport mortgage will be given first choice on any fixed rate loans launched by Bear Stearns in the next five

The present rate is 14.9 per new scheme was the best cent including a 0.75 per cent alternative to a fixed rate discount, but borrowers who

> Like the 25-year fixed rate mortgage launched in January, Passport will be sold through a panel of life offices. They are: The LAS Group, Norwich Union, Royal Life, Sun Alliance and John Charcol, the hroker.

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Lockton directors fend off calls to stand down

By Jon Ashworth

DIRECTORS of Lockton Retail Stores, the troubled retailer, fended off calls for their resignation at a meeting in London this week, and are to dispose of two loss-making

The company, part of a series of Business Expansion Scheme companies sponsored by Guinness Mahon, is selling the assets to Mr David Kosh, its chief executive.

Lockton Retail Stores wrote to shareholders two weeks ago warning that it expects to make a £2.3 million loss in the year to January.

Angry shareholders called for the company to be wound up, but a motion in favour of the disposals - including a vote hy Mr Kosh who is the majority shareholder - was

finally carried unanimously. Many of the 800 shareholders in Lockton Retail Stores also invested in Lockton Shops, part of the same BES series, which went into liquidation last week. Many say they only invested in the Lockton series because they were backed by Guinness Mahon and have called on the group to pay

Mr Patrick Moorsom, Guinness Mahon's vice-chairman, has consistently denied any responsibility in the mat-

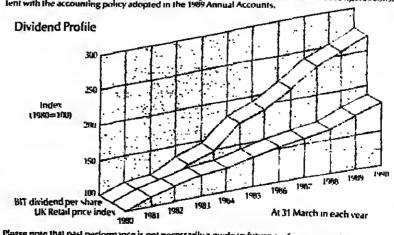
But Mr Stephen Banioft, of BES Investment Research. said Guinness Mahon owed a duty of care to investors, whatever their profile. This was particulary important for start-up companies which have no track record, he said.

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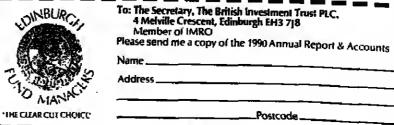


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Guide to less taxing saving

By Lindsay Cook

THIS year about 5 million non-taxpayers were created with the introduction of independent taxation. Housewives, who are not waged, can receive interest on savings and investments up to £3,005 so long as they have no other

Just what is taxable and what is not confuses many savers. But help is at hand from National Savings, which this week published its guide to savings for

The department is the only major British financial institution which can currently pay interest gross. But from next January building societies and banks will be able to offer Tax-Exempt Special Savings Accounts. These will pay interest gross and free of tax.

In April composite rate tax will be scrapped enabling non-taxpayers to receive interest gross after the beginning of the 1991/2 financial year.

Offshore accounts have also multiplied and accounts which do not pay interest until next year are being sold strongly. It is, therefore, important for savers to know whether they can take advantage of the new regime or if their money should stay put in a savings account with interest being deducted.

Non-taxable income includes most scholarships, local authority student grants, most legally-binding mainte-nance payments, the proceeds of qualifying life policies, annuities paid to bolders of certain gallantry awards and dividend income from personal equity plans.

The guide, giving full details, is available from the Sales Information Unit, Bonds and Stock Office, Government Buildings, Lytham St Annes FYO IYN or telephone 0800 868700.

When dearly-departed leaves the bills unpaid

THE problem of what to do if a close relative dies in debt, without making a will, has been posed by two Family Money readers. In both cases the banks involved have frozen the little money there is and other creditors are asking

"Are we responsible for the debts?" both ask, and wonderwhat they should do.

The advice from a leading firm of London solicitors is to do very little or they could end up with bills from professionals that they will have

to pay.
In the first case a sister died in France owing rent to her landlord and with bills of £300 outstanding on her Barclay-card and National Westminster Access card.

In the second, an aunt, aged 87, died in sheltered accommodation owing rent and one or two other small bills. Although she died on March 31 the local water board is pursuing her water rates bill

for this year. Both the relatives wanted to know if there was a strict order for the debts to be paid when there was a small shortfall or whether all creditors lose a proportion of what they are

Mr Hugh Hamilton of Law-rence Graham, the solicitors, said that only the deceased and their personal represible for debts. In the case of the latter the debts would be

... met out of the estate. "If you have an insolvent estate usually the creditors apply for a grant of letters of administration. It is taken out of the next of kin's hands.

"So it follows if there are no assets and liability of £300 the

Lindsay Cook finds that where there's no will, it's important to know the way

Banks all deal with the

accounts of deceased cus-

tomers differently, but it is

proposed that a standard

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At the National West-

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At Barclays a spokeswoman

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to handle debts left by the deceased

owned should go towards paying the debts.

"The clothes should not be sent to Oxfam but be sold to pay the debt. Any small keepsakes should be declared to the creditors and the relative should offer to pay for

He advised any relative in this situation to inform the creditors straightaway and to leave it to them to apply for letters of administration. Local authorities, for example, can apply for a grant of letters of administration if a community charge bill has not been paid.

Relatives should write to all the creditors and show all the assets and liabilities and invite them to share what money there is.

"If they were to go to a solicitor a grant of probate would cost them £300.

"Anyone in this situation should write to the creditors and say there is insufficient to pay all liablities and explain what there is to be shared.

"It is dangerous to get too involved. If in any doubt they should go carefully and not intermeddle," said Mr Hamilton.

Even if a will were left appointing the relative as executor there is no du deal with an estate which is insolvent, he added.

"You can get a will involving a property worth £500,000 and find a capital gains tax relative is not liable but bill, and other debts, and

Where a person died with out making a will we would advise the relative to seek legal advice," she added.

One of the relatives said: "It is very difficult to know what to do when various people are demanding money. There is an electricity hill for £80 and a telephone hill for a similar rapidly find there is nothing in the estate although a hill for many thousands has been

> 'When I contacted NatWest about the Access account they wanted the name of the solicitor dealing with the estate and I haven't got

> "Lots of people live a little bit overdrawn so there must be as many relatives dealing with a shortfall upon death as there are inheriting expensive properties and wondering how to invest the money.

"We don't want to do relative should contact the anything wrong but we don't bank and we will take as necessarily want to pay off the bills ourselves."

"We would listen to the People can help their relstory and be looking for a fair atives hy keeping a list of their and equitable settlement. assets with other family docu-Funeral expenses must be paid ments, so that these can be first and then preferential readily compared with any creditors. After them come the outstanding bills.

If a relative is unsure about "If he paid one of the nonwhether they have located all preferential creditors he could the creditors they should adbecome personally liable for vertise locally and this cost any money owed to preferencan be met by the estate, said the NatWest spokesman.

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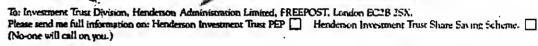
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Item debited from account without a mandate

From R. C. Ashworth Sir. Today 1 received the monthly statement from my bank, the Royal Bank of

On checking through it I found that an insurance company had charged me, via direct debit, the sum of £78 which I had not authorised. A telephone call to the bank confirmed that no mandate existed for this charge and the

bank agreed to re-credit my

account with the sum. Not only has this cost me a lengthy telephone call, a lot of innoyance and the interest on £78 for one month, it calls into question the desirability of the direct debit system as a nor-mal method of payment. Surely it should not be possible for a bank to make a payment without a mandate, nor for a company to make a

withdrawal?

tial creditors."

As usual when dealing with such institutions it behoves the customer to have sharp eyes and a suspicious mind! Yours faithfully,

R. C. ASHWORTH. Morston. St Omer Road. Guildford, Surrey. May 3.

Gilts offer solution for maturing NSCs

From CM Kingsmill Sir, Lindsay Cook gave advice from several sources on what a reader with maturing National Savings Certificates should do with the money. I am sure the reader concerned has been attracted by certificates because he knows precisely where he stands in say five years time and income is obviously of secondary importance. The ideal solution is tax to pay.

17 Redbridge Lane West,

From Mr Alan Diamond Sir, The introduction of quarterly dividend payments is adding to the expenses of properly constituted charitable trusts. It would be cost effective if all equity investments held by charitable trusts could receive dividend income gross rather than net, saving the trustees the problem of reclaiming the appro-priate tax credit. This would save expenses to all parties including the Revenue.

This need is now more apparent since a small number of prominent UK companies such as British Petroleum and SmithKline Beecham, who recently reported their results, have decided recently 10 pay quarterly rather than halfyearly dividends.

This exacerbates the problem, for it affects the trusts' cash flow, especially if tax credits are not claimed upon receipt. However in so doing. once a trustee instructs their accountant or lawyer to claim the deducted tax credit, the trust incurs its professional advisers fees. On the other hand, a chantable trust can invest in "gilts" and apply to have the stock registered so that the trust receives payment of a gross rather than a low interest short dated gilts. He will know in x-years how much his capital will have grown and will in the meantime receive a relatively low income, and no capital gains

Yours faithfully, C. M. KINGSMILL, London El 1.

Quarterly payouts hit charitable trusts net dividend at source. Why should equities be treated

> What I believe is required, is an amendment to the Finance Bill so that registered charities, who return annual audited accounts, would receive all future dividend payments gross. This is possible in the United States where charities can so "file".

Members of Parliament should be instrumental in seeking to overcome any possible opposition from the Inland Revenue. For if charities receive all dividend payments gross they can hasten their charitable distributions without incurring additional financial penalties whilst keeping their costs to a minimum. To leave the reclaiming of tax credit in abeyance until the end of the financial year would not be acting with due diligence.

Yours faithfully. ALAN DIAMOND.

Regeni's Park,

London NWI.

29 York Terrace West,

Readers letters for publication are welcome but The Times regrets it cannot give individual replies or advice.

Popular charge for foreign exchange

From Miss C. M. Hill Sir, Mr A. F. Taylor's expeni ence in Tenerife (Family Money, May 5) prompts me to add my happier one during a short period spent recently in the area of the Val de Loire and Vallée du Loir. The helpful assistant in the Credit Lyonnais in Blois warned me that the commission charged was 24 francs, so I left to try elsewhere. The Banque Nat-ionale de Paris charges 30 francs. The Banque Populaire did not charge commission at all, and had a slightly higher exchange rate. This held also in another branch elsewhere. So try the B.P. first, i

possible. It seems to deserve Yours faithfully. MISS C. M. HILL, 30 Fog Lane, Manchester M20.

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The decision that split a village

in the battle for Frome Selwood is not the end of the fight. A report by Jon Ashworth

embers of the tiny Frome Selwood building society have given warning that they will withdraw their savings in protest after plans to merge with the Stroud and Swindon Society were narrowly approved this week;

The 14,600 Frome membonus on the value of their savings once the merger goes through on July 1.

But the decision to merge has upset many members who had favoured a rival bid from the Cheltenham & Gloucester Building Society. The C&G had tried to tempt savers with the prospect of a 3 per cent bonus as well as an attractive discount on mortgages. And it had set aside £360,000 for the Frome directors, including £81,000 for Mr Roy Walwin, the chairman. .

The merger debate has divided local residents and left the sleepy Somerset town basking in an unprecedented level of publicity. Many of the 200 members who attended Thursday's meeting, held in the local cinema, were more concerned about how much money they could make than whether or not the society could keep its local identity. Before the meeting, many members gave warning that they would withdraw their savings if the decision to merge with the Stroud and Swindon was approved. They planned to wait until the bonus payments had been made before taking their funds

Mr Don Fletcher, who has lived in Frome for 14 years... counted, 76.2 per cent voted said he hoped Frome Selwood for the motion — in stark



Merging on fair and traditional terms: Roy Walwin, the Frome chairman, who enced down a bonus offer of £80,972 from the C&G

We know the people and you 98 per cent of voters have directors stood to make be-can talk to them. Mr Bruno given their approval. tween £64,980 and £26,090 Selar, who has £50,000 with the society, said he was unhappy with the voting procedure. "This way, you only have one chance it's yes or no and it's not democratic." Mr traditional terms to the benefit sort of thing goes on; but we're Jeremy Cross, a local councillor who voted against the merger, said the society was over techniques." well managed and well run Earlier, he had accused the and should remain so, "I feel the management has been honourable but misguided. I

believe you bave to go for the best financial offer in the interest of members." The decision to proceed with the merger was finally approved by a oarrow margin.
To proceed, 75 per cent of voting members had to vote in favour. 'After proxies were

society mergers, where up to

Mr Walwio said he was delighted with the outcome. adding "It is very satisfying to prove it is still possible to, for by the Frame members. agree a merger on fair and of all members without votes not prepared to be bought.

C&G of trying to "buy" the support of Frome directors. Attacking what be called "the unacceptable face of building societyism," he said £359,576 had been offered by the C&G in salary and pension entitle-meots. "We were not prepared to accept these inducements,"

Mr Walwin said he had been offered £52,240 in retiremcot benefits. - After serving for the motion - in stark on a regional board for three would not lose its character. contrast to other huilding years, the package would have

each if the CAC bid was accepted. Mr Walwin said the final bill would have been paid adding "We accept that this

be outcome of the meeting largely defrom members. Mr Trevor Morris, who led a group of members protesting against the merger, said several had been sent the wrong proxy forms by mistake. Forms sent by Frome and the Strond and Swindon to their own menr-Coopers & Lybrand Defoine. which distributed the forms. said no mistakes had been

received a Strond & Swindon proxy form by mistake would

correct the crier. ... Mr Morris asked the board whether their salaries had tripled in three years. Mr Walwin said this was "quite possible" since their work bad tripled in the same period. He told members they would be better off inder the Stroud and Swindon plans, since higher savings rates would more than compensate for a

lower cash bonus. He said: "The mood in the meeting was definitely against the board. If only those present had voted, the out-come could have been very

different."
The vote count revealed bers looked very similar. But 1,632 savers in favour of the merger and 508 against. Of the 373 borrowers who voted, 293. 78.5 per sent, voted in been approved, but is thought favour. Mr Morres said he was to have been accused of made. It was pointed out that been worth £80,972. Other any Frome member who had prepared to the the matter of supporting the C&G offer.

spoilt proxy forms up with the Building Societies' Com-mission. The vote was so close have had enough time to

> correct proxies could have tipped the balance, he said. Mr Richard Payne, the Stroud and Swindon's chief executive, said: "The Frome members have shown that they wish to remain with the local society, pursuing local policies from local branches

that even a handful of in-

operated by local employees." 1 It had been feared that a merger with the C&G would lead to jnb losses, even though the financial rewards would have been high to begin with.

The fate of Mr Jim Marshall, Frome's chief executive. who was suspended last month, remained unclear yesterday. He was due to step down once the merger had

Best deal may be societies' wisest option

By Lindsay Cook, Family Money Editor

the Frome Selwood Permanent Building society merger.

In any negotiations, to society movement a lesson.

recommend the best deal.

To achieve a merger, any society has to win 75 per cent negotiate so that they can of the votes cast. In Frome. where there are about 8,500 young members, the society had the support of 76.2 per cent of the investors who young I fewer than 20 mcm bers had voted differently there could have been an historic and humiliating

The confirmation hearing takes place at the Building Societies' Commission on June 19 and the protestors are set to prove voting irregularities.

No other society would be wise to risk such a close call. The Frome members are lucky they will get their 2 per cent and may win a further bonus if the Stroud and Swiddon in turn becomes the target of a larger society. The campaign against the merger was waged purely on the grounds of the cash bonuses.

The conversion of the Abbey National from a huilding society to a bank set members of other building societies on the trail of windfall gains. The Abbey's gift of 100 free shares was expected to spell the end of ordinary society mergers. Then last November, the C&G announced its plans to merge with the Guardian Building Society and paid an average £520 to investors. Bonuses are now the order of the day. Even the savers of the troubled Peckham Building Society are to receive 0.75 per cent next month.

There are a number of small societies who have chief executives nearing retirement age whose directors must realize they do not have a future oo their own. Several of them will be in talks with other societies. Too small to interest banks,

insurance groups and foreign

AFTER weeks of acrimony, companies, their future lies in

In any negotiations, their merge with the Stroud and directors will have to be sure Swindon Building Society, but of securing the best deal for the opposing members have members. They will look to taught the rest of the building the Frome debacle and want to avoid a similar battle. If If they do not want to be they have two offers and want embroiled in a messy battle to merge with the society over ownership, and risk hav- making the lower one they will ing their recommendation have to persuade it to improve voted out by the members, its offer. Or if there is a feature they will in future have to of the better offer which they do not feel able to accept, such as joh losses, they will have to

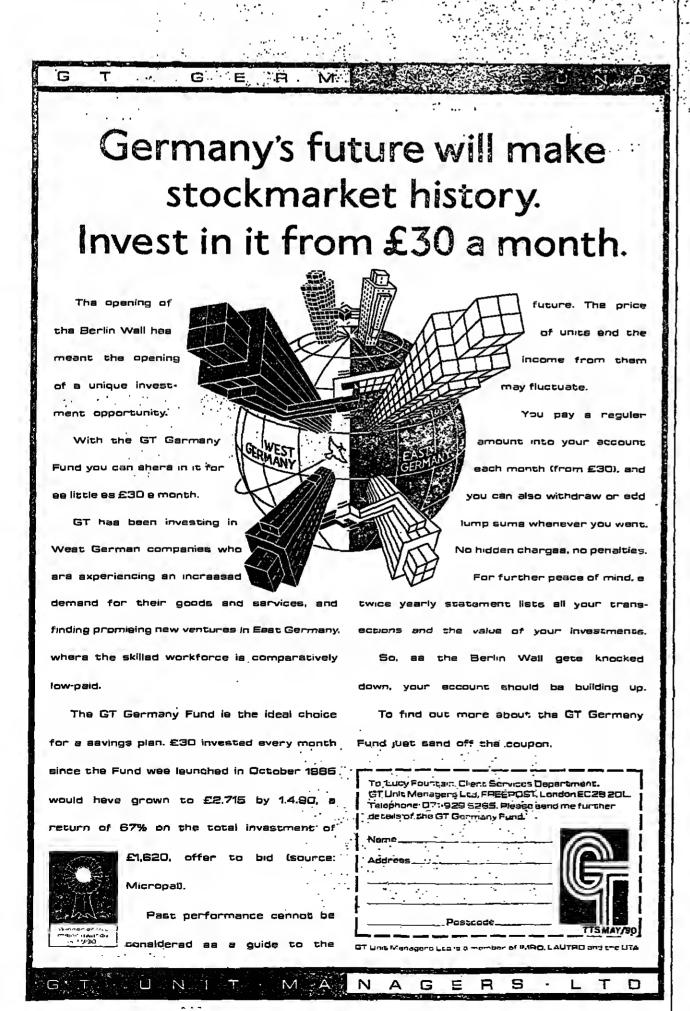
recommend the best offer. The C&G is committed to accepting the best offer for its members, whoever it comes from. Mr Andrew Longhurst, its chief executive, said: "I still believe that when directors are putting a proposition to members, the most significant point is the amount of cash it will put in the members pockets and wallets. Suppose the C&G decides, for the sake of argument, that it wants to do a deal with the Prudential, but Sun Life has made a better offer. We would always go for the better deal."

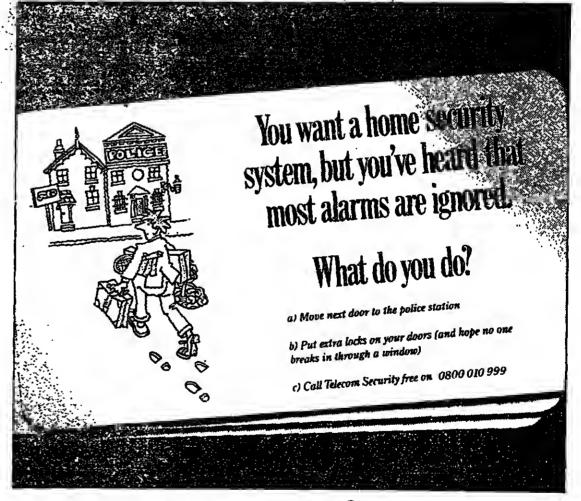
The narrow backing for the Frome board means insurance. companies, and others wanting to buy building societies, will have to pay all the reserves to the members, if not more, to be certain that their offer will not be bettered.

Dr John Wriglesworth, of UBS Phillips & Drew, predicts that a company will announce it is taking over a building society this year. There are many firms on the lookout. hut they know the first to accept a hid will face similar problems to those of Abbey.

Members of societies with the highest reserve asset ratios might try to release some money in bonus form. Socicties like the cash-rich National Counties, with a reserve asset ratio in excess of 20 per cent, could be requisitioned by 50 members, who each put up £10 to pay a bonus to its members. So loog as the group of 50 got all the legal requirements right, they could cause a motion to be put to members.

In the meantime, a oumber of building societies are in talks about mergers and takeovers and all are keen to have





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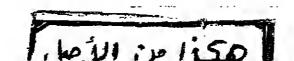
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Passions that run backstage at Oberammergau



anging on wooden pegs behind the door of Christ's dressingroom were two crowns of thorns. It was impossible to look at them without being overcome by both awe and an almost blasphemous sense of the ludicrous; two feelings which constantly surprise the visitor to Oberammergau.

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The crowns looked as though i would have been easy to prick a finger on the thorns: they evoked the violence of the old story with a physicality which was shocking. At the same time, I knew that the crowns were only stage props, with no more authenticity than the 14 pewter cups stacked on a shelf nearby, ready for the Last Supper, or the assorted palm branches piled up in a basket in the corridor, or Pharach's throne, parked like a limousine beside the stage door. There was a comic incongruity about the solemn concreteness of these relics, and about the whole highly organized

On the shelves of the village's innumerable woodcarvers' shops, painted Virgins ranked elbow to elbow, with weirdly polytheistic effect, waiting like geishas to be carried off in thousands by the pilgrims who will visit Oberam-mergau this summer, during which the villagers will fulfil the vow made by their ancestors during a plague in 1633 to put on a Passion Play every 10 years until the end of time.

But, unlike the carved host of Marys, the two crowns of thorns were not identical. One was a plaited circlet of real thorns, woven by someone with fingers which must have been both leathery and deft; the other was a glass fibre coronet with thick, blunt thorns, which would never prick a finger but may well "read" more dramatically from the back of the stalls in the open-air theatre in which the Passion will be enacted 94 times this summer before audiences of 5,000.

The two crowns represent the old and the new. The prickly one is a reverently preserved relic (this is Catholic territory, after all) from an earlier production. It faithfully reproduces the instrument of torture and derision depicted in innumerable devotional prints and paintings. It expresses a sturdy traditional literalism. The other crown, for use this summer, may be less anthentic, but the young director, 28-year-old Christian Stückl, hopes that it will carry its message more effectively. Village conservatives would rather see thorns represent thorns.

Arguments over stage props are only some of the bitter quarrels which have surrounded Herr Strickl since he was chosen as director by the village council three years ago. For decades the play has been a focus for personal and religious squabbling, on a local and even an international

scale. In post-war years, it has come under regular attack for its portrayal of the Jews. Diplomatic revisions of text and stage business have now taken some, though not all, of the sting out of this issue. But this year's battles

have still broken friendships, divided families, and brought a storm of abusive letters upon the village. Several prominent players have withdrawn from the cast in protest against the new regime, and a shed with farm equipment worth £10,000 inside, belonging to one of the leading figures in the dispute, was destroyed by fire.

If there are any villagers who are not fierce partisans on one side or the other (which is unlikely), they must be fear-

For the first time in centuries a married woman will play the Virgin Mary, but the reformers' victory has left a village

divided, reports George Hill



Director: Christian Stückl

ful that the tumult may affect the future of the spectacle, which is Oberammergan's source of world fame and chief money-spinner. But the signs are that, as yet, the world's pilgrims are unperturbed by the scandals: when the show opens oo Monday the whole run the production will already have been sold out months in

The focus of this year's dissension epitomizes the way symbols tend to trip over the literal, and the transcendent tends to rub shoulders with the everyday. Crudely, the question has been whether the Virgin ought to be played by a virgin.
In Catholic Bavaria, the virgin-

ity of Christ's mother is not to be considered lightly. For at least 120 years, the community has imposed a rule that the actress who plays Mary, and all the other women acting in the play, should be unmarried, and under 35. In the past, this effectively guaranteed the virtue of the leading lady, though it often meant in practice that she was visibly 10 or 20 years younger than her Son.

More recently, the guarantee has become something of a mockery. Women hoping to play a leading role have lived in sin for years, and even had illegitimate children, so as oot to forfeit their entitlement. In some ways, it is a tale of bucolic goings-on reminiscent of Britten's Albert Herring.

The dispute is about concepts of purity, about the social roles of men and women, and about hard cash inhabitants who meet the stiff residential qualifications or to have lived there for 20 years) have a right to take part in the play. Over a season, even the humblest extra who shouts "Hosanna" in the crowd is paid about £2,300 for theoretical loss of carnings, while leading members of the cast receive up to £11,000. The restrictions on marriage and age saved the municipality from having to pay as many as 1,000 otherwise eligible citizens.
"This is a holy, money-making

village," one long-term resident told me. "Some of the older members of the cast put on a great air of piety, but for most of the younger members it is not so much a religious event as a source of excitement. The quarrels are part of the atmosphere. What you see oo stage is very holy, but that are not so holy. There is not actually a bordello here, but you can find most other kinds of sin if you look you can even buy

In 1988, a group of Oberam-mergau feminists went to the Constitutional Court in Munich over the ban oo married women. invoking equal rights legislation dating from 1927. The names of the major players were announced at a village ceremony. When the names of the two actresses to represent Mary were chalked up on a blackboard (all major parts in the play are doubled, to reduce stress and jealousy), the reformers were surprised and delighted to see the name of Elisabeth Petre.

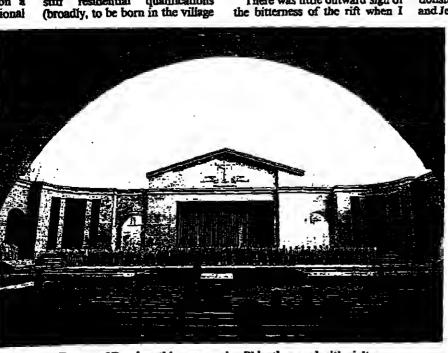
Frao Petre is 37 years old and married, with two sons aged eight and five. The selection committee had decided to jump before it was pushed by the court (which has since ruled in favour of the feminists). It was a major victory for Herr Stückl, who had lobbied hard for Frau Petre, and had begged her to be a candidate.

She had been reluctant at first to

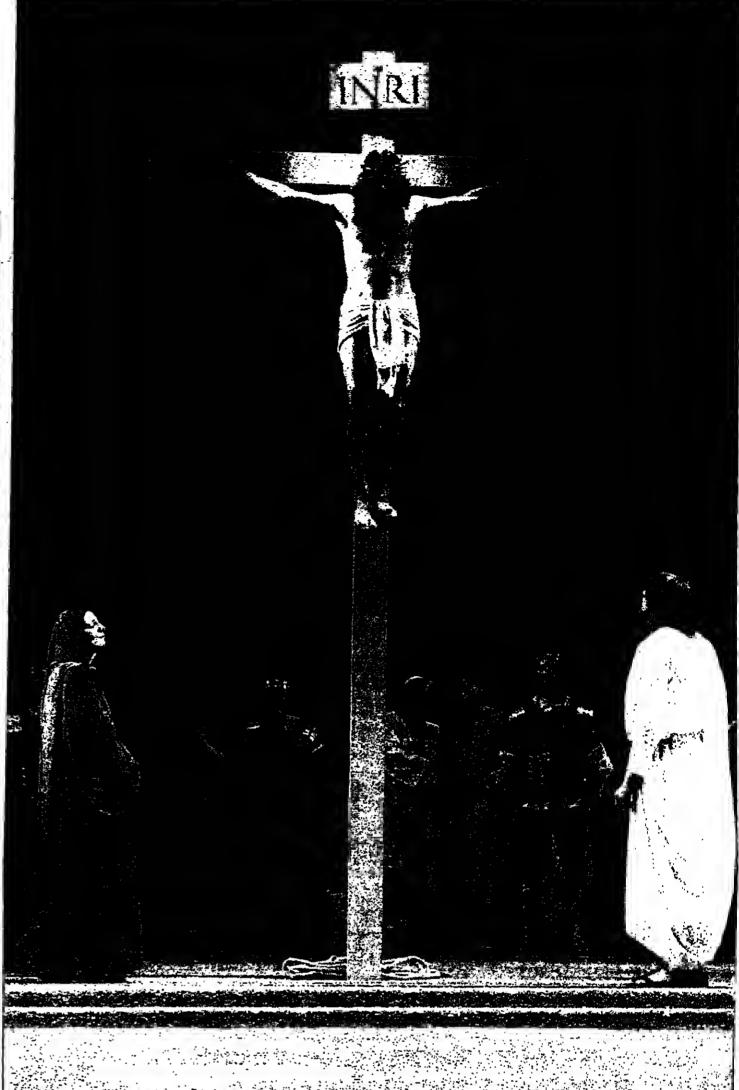
repeat the bruising experiences she had gone through in the storm over a controversial experimental production in 1977, in which she had played Mary. She had been offered the part again in 1980, but had refused it because she was out of sympathy with the conservative faction then in the ascendent.

Apart from her role in past clashes, she was equivocally placed because to an extent she was married, but to an extent she was oot. She is Catholic, but her Romanian husband, Alexandru, is of the Russian Orthodox faith. The Catholic authorities would oot bless the union, so the two had married in a civil ceremony. Only weeks before the opening night, the parish priest agreed to mini-mize possible scandal over a Virgin who was married, unmarried and a mother, and allowed a church wedding, co-celebrated with an Orthodox priest behind locked doors in the village's onion-steepled rococo church.

There was little outward sign of



Theatre of Passion: this summer it will be througed with visitors



The Agony: a village Christ in torment, watched by Elisabeth Petre (Mary), whose recent church marriage averted a scandal

canny hush lay over the place as it awaited the imminent influx of visitors. The village is a pretty, prosperous, tourist place, with colourful fiescos on the walls of its old houses, fields full of cowslips, and dark crags looming above. For every grocer's or ironmonger's shop, there must be three hotels and

at least five woodcarvers' shops.
The place is like one of those cactus plants which produce one unique bloom every 10 years, and are rather prickly objects for the other nine.

The visitor can never forget that this is not as other villages are, because of the beards. The actors despise the artifice of spirit gum and greasepaint, so they spend the years between productions ours-ing beards of biblical majesty.

Imagine all the best beards you have ever heard of those of Charles Darwin, Bernard Shaw, Karl Marx, Father Christmas; they are all to be seen alive and huxuriant at Oberammergan. In a place so eminently respectable, they introduce disorientating overtones of Woodstock and Cardboard City. Jesus lopes around in jeans and headband, St Peter is a bank clerk. A surrealistic running interplay

exists between events and relationships in Oberammergau today and Jerusalem 2000 years ago. The Virgin Mary is married to

a carpenter, a Romanian who made his own "Flight into Egypt" from tyranny 14 years ago. They live in a wide-caved chalet with frilled lace curtains in a lane called Am Kreuzweg ("The Way of the Cross"). The Virgin's sister-in-law is the wife of Judas (not the Judas who is the director's father, but the Judas who was Christ last time round). Christ's mother (a completely different person from the Virgin Mary, you understand) is one of the feminist heroines who took the issue to court. She told me the story with the fire of battle in her eyes, and proudly showed me a portrait of her son in costume, wearing his

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e had better start with the BBC. The corporation has opened its new Written Archive Centre at Caversham Park near Reading. In the Domesday Book, Caversham's 2,400 acres were valued at £20, property of the first Earl of Buckingham, a cousin of the Conqueror. Warwick made kings there, Elizabeth slept and Charles 1 was imprisoned. The BBC paid an inflationary £47,000 for it in 1941. It was its monitoring station during the war, and now it eavesdrops on

130 countries daily.

Only a few treasures were on display in the new archive house but they were riveting, especially early applications for auditions. Vanessa Redgrave, aged 15½, wrote offering herself as an actor on Uncle Mac's recommendation along with my brother Corin who is 12½...my father has given us some coaching". At school she had played "Mole in Toad of Toad Hall and St Joan". The snag was that "my brother (he can do American)" would be going to "public school in the autumn and therefore only available in boli-days". Kathleen Ferrier applied in 1941. Back in 1934 Peter N.L. Pears asked if he could be heard for "the Wireless Singers". Guy Burgess pleaded that "Major Blunt" be allowed to talk about "the preservation of art treasures in countries occupied by British and American forces...he can be got through me". I pored over the J.B. Priestley exhibits. Early in his broadcasting career, he was reported to be beastly to work with, un-accommodating, unpunctual, ego-tistical, puts everyone's back up, not

NOW for the social whirl. There was a "Taste of the Nineties Luncheon" at Claridges to celebrate Scottish salmon. Somehow, "the King of freshwater fish" failed to rise in two pedestrian recipes souffled with a spinach coulis or baked, smothered by a warm vinaigrette. "It wasn't the wine," murmured Mr Snodgrass in a broken voice (in Pickwick Papers). "It was the salmon." I am with Mr

worth it". He has his heirs.

Then there was Sunday's wake for Peter Langan who would have been 49. Langan's was stuffed with survivors — George Best, Henry Cooper, both Ronnies, Bob Hos-kins, Ben Kingsley and all. Keith Waterhouse suggested two minutes' hubbub, pulling girls screaming under tables, instead of the more usual two minutes' silence. He was not heeded. Langan already has two biographers. Brian Sewell's book was on display. Christopher Wilson,

"the official biographer", said Sewell had declined to assist him as he was being paid. He wondered if Sewell was accepting royalties? He didn't know (few did, did you?) that Langan's how the was filmed by Loyd Grossman for Through the Keyhole a few days before his death and so was never used - macabre footage for a TV obituary? The journalist Mike Molloy thought it would have been the party to set the new decade if only Jeffrey Archer had been there. Molloy was in Grantchester for the Archer bash after his ultrafragrant libel case. Curious to find out what happened in a folly at the bottom of the garden, he and Clive James peered in. There, unattended, was a word processor spookily tapping out an Archer novel.

At Cliveden, to which I haven't been since Alan Brien had a cottage there in Keeler days, we launched the Ackerman/Martell Food and Hotel Guide. Lunch was a good deal jollier than the weekend Bob Boothby and Harold Nicolson spent there in November 1930. Boothby recorded a "glass of white wine was all you got . . . the Oswald Mosleys brought a petrol tin to my room. It was filled with martini." Nicolson added: "After dinner to enliven the party Lady Astor dons a Victorian hat and a pair of false teeth. It does not enliven the party."

TOMORROW the South Bank Centre hosts a day of mnsic inside, outside, up and down the foyers, on boats. It climaxes with a Simon Rattle gala, all to raise cash for Aids relief and support. They asked me to do a programme note about brunch — there is a brunch/cabaret at noon. I have always assumed that brunch was an American invention - maybe it is; but there is a reference to it in Punch back in August 1896. "To be fashionable nowadays we must 'brunch', truly an excellent port-manteau word introduced last year by Mr Guy Beringer in the now defunct Hunters Weekly, and in-dicating a combined breakfast and lunch." The next year the West-minster Gazette escalated the word into verse: "Perish scrambling breakfast, formal lunch!/Hardened night birds fondly cherish/all the subtle charms of brunch."

NEW plays have been sprouting as fast as last month's new plays have been shedding their audiences and Richard Harris, a late bloomer, still to burst into flower at Wyndhams. Lothar Bluteau has two more incandescent weeks at the Vaudeville. At the Lyric Michael Redington, the producer of Vanilla, uncharacteristically missed an opening night promotion trick. His



party was in the stalls bar, while 100 yards away in Leicester Square Haagen-Dazs opened an all-icecream restaurant that very afternoon. At the Phoenix I saw the penultimate preview of Peter Hall's company in *The Wild Duck*. Sir Peter has said that their long provincial tour proved the old adage that Ibsen isn't box office. I supposed the West End previews would tell a different story. "No," he replied gloomily, "now we're proving it in the West End." It is a stirring, if not super-starry, cast, and

will surely pick up.
Peter's guest was Maria St Just.
Lady St Just is Tennessee Williams's
literary executor and Concorded off to America the next day to promote her fascinating edition of Tennessee's letters to her. Gore Vidal had asked her what happened to her letters to Tennessee. She said he seemed not to have kept them. "That's Tennessee!" said Gore, "So

SO MUCH reader collaboration this week! We must close the Shakespearian "knock-knocks" too many Toby or not Tobys, too many triple Tamaras, too many Leon Macduffs: but spare a chuckle for Jane Farrell's "Ida." "Ida who?" "Ida rather be a dog and obey the moon than such a Roman." Frank Courtney's "Tis one." "Tis one what?" "Tis one thing to be tempted, Escalus, another thing to fall." And Robert Simmond's "Otis." "Oh, 'tis foul in here."

Some weeks ago I asked for candidates for "bottom-rung-of-theladder" pathos. Doug McVittie writes from France to recall a bedraggled visiting Essex under-12 football team from last year. They were playing in the annual twin-town contest. Their captain led his ramshackle urchins to the trophy table before the match and pointed to the smallest prize - the boohy saying, proudly: "That's the one we're going to win." I thought I'd seen the back of

lighthulb jokes but Andrew Nickolds, who has been working with two American writers from Cheers, Brian and Mert, collected this one. take to change a lightbulb?"

PETER McKAY

If I were...

f I were John Selwyn Gummer, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, I would feel this morning like a mugging victim who is hauled to his feet by police and accused of contributing to the wave of violent crime. Farmers, I would have to accept, now have me in mind when they construct scarecrows even though I am accused of being in their pockets. The manure mafia has attacked me over my opposition to grain cartels, poison food compensations, new stubbleburning laws, and my lack of appreciation for what the NFU president Sir Simon Gourlay calls "the looming farm crisis", it was almost a relief to be called "the patron saint of fishmongers" by the Daily Mirror, if only they had not spoilt it by adding that I was "the Corporal Jones of a Dad's Army Cahinet."

In politics it is always better to be Minister For Something People Do Not Have An Opinion About, like foreign affairs. Being Minister for Agriculture is to invite a daily barrage of conflicting advice and insults.



John Selwyn Gummer

Even my triumphs sound silly. "Gummer Claims Victory on Fish Quotas" is the most positive headline I have attracted in the past year. If I may quote George Crabbe from The Parish Register. "Our farmers round, well pleased with constant gain/Like other farmers

flourish and complain." There are few things more basic than eating (yes, but they come under Health or Environment). Now 1 stand in the dock charged with foisting mad cow meat on the public. As always in this joh, there is no lack of advice which really boils down to one simple request. Sack myself, and my ministry. Set up a new Ministry of Food designed to make our victuals producers toe the health line. Goodbye to fuddy-duddy old rebates, grants, kickbacks, bribes, set-asides and all of the other laborious procedures which have characterized the venal relationship between the Government and British farmers since the last war. Say hello to a brave, abrasive new era in which the Government will cast Old MacDonald adrift on the capitalist sea, guided only by a massive list of dos and don'ts. As if 1 - or the Government, totally supported by the Opposition could achieve such a thing overnight.

hankfully, I am not given to panic, As a muscular Christian who has attacked the handholding fraternity in the Church of England, I have had to endure more than my share of abuse. I have been accused by Peter Bottomley - now in Northern Ireland, best place for him - of being attracted to language that grabs headlines, which is rather like being called careless with money by Ken

Rows about food - as with public hoo-has on every other topic - exhaust themselves finally. Even the most indignant voter realizes in time that we all share responsibility for the things we eat. For years, the overriding objective of agriculture in this country was to make us as self-sufficient as possible in food. To do that, we had to stuff animals, birds and soil with additives. This was accepted as the price we paid for cheap, home-grown snap. If it is a price we are no longer prepared to pay, so be it. But please don't blame John Selwyn Gummer for inventing this suddenly unpopular world, or of being in cahoots with the farmers - especially when they are throwing dead cows

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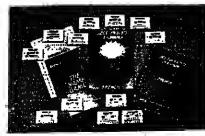
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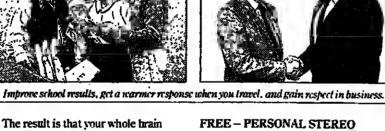
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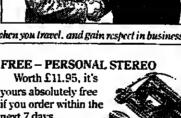
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"How many TV executives does it "Does it have to be a lighthulb?"

Oberammergau: spiritual drama Continued from previous page crown of thorns. As soon as I entered the theatre, which ognized the atmosphere. Anycoat-hangers, were mobbing a butter of most families. It is gathered in a ponytail. He regularly turn wore no beard (an unconven- on disputes tional touch bere), and was about the

This was Herr Stückl, the thority in all director. He reminded me of decisions one of those curates, or junior schoolteachers, who has been put in charge of drama by his wiser and lazier elders, and is Between the finding rather to his surprise drama on that he is enjoying every

moment of it. There can be an emotional intensity about amateur theatre which the professional stage seldom equals. With a cast of more than 1.000 - not counting sheep, doves and the donkey which carries Christ into Jerusalem - this is amateur dramatics on an epic

In fact, Herr Stückl would out his share of drive and personal ambition. Though his name here. He is conthat the main bostility to Frau not from the village, but from religious opponents in other not based on current Church parts of Germany and else-

one of those two aspects."

The vow of 1633 has shaped and more unexpected one. He the village's destiny ever was concerned that it might since. It stopped the plague stands rather gloomily on the overnight, and since then it main occupation. Over the one who has ever been centuries, it has changed from involved in a school play or a purely local act of devotion amateur dramatics in the to an international media church hall would have felt at event. There can be few

home at once. A throng of communities anywhere so extras, all aglow with excite- wholly shaped by a single ment, carrying beautifully activity. Directly or indirectly, laundered Israelite rags on the play is the bread and gangling, boyish young man, the theme of local politics, for whose lank, dark hair was elections to the town council

patiently fending off their play (the clamour with rueful cheer- council is the form and personnel). stage and the dramas be-

hind scenes, it is their taste of glory, their lifelong soap opera - and for some, the albatross

round Oberscarcely be where he is withammereau's born in the village, he spent a out of 10, our hotels are halfyear working in a theatre in Munich as part of his apprenticeship for his present empty, and the play is to as that of Lourdes - and who'd want to go to Lourdes job, and hopes to return to the professional stage if he makes for a holiday? Catholic Church in the village cerned to play down the rift in the community, and insists is Dr Franz Dietl, the parish priest who conducted Frau Petre's appointment had come Petre's belated marriage ceremony. The virginity rule was

doctrine, he told me. "For everyhody outside Oberwhere, even from London. "There are these feelings, but we do not share them," he ammergau. I think the rule came to seem rather odd, and I suggested that they let it told me. "It is the idea of the lapse. In former times, a Church that Mary was a virgin higher degree of symbolism and got a baby from God in a was seen in the position of the way that we do not understand, but it is a certainty that girl who played Mary. My special wish is that all the the baby came out in the natural way. Even in the teaching of the Church, she actors really believe in what they are playing. If they do, it is of lower importance whether was a virgin and also a mother. With a natural they are married or not." woman you can only present Dr Dietl's main worry about the play was a different

become almost a rival to the Church. "I am eager that the edge of the village, I rec- has become Oberammergan's Church does not get beside the play; that people do not take their religious feelings out in the play rather than the Church, because after 90 performances they will not be standing up there with glowing hearts any more. One will need to rebuild spirituality carefully afterwards. He painted a picture of a

community where relationships took on special intensity because of the immense pro-ject. "Be-

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Between reneck. As one disgruntled vilhearsals. Frau Petre had been lager put it to me: "Nine years organizing a collection of clothes for Romania, and she had hastily tidied away the blame. Our image is as pious boxes to receive me, in a parlour lined with books, with dried flowers hanging from the rafters and a heap of soft The official voice of the toys in the corner.

She has a high-cheekboned, distinguished face, and very expressive hands and wrists. I asked her whether she saw the controversy as a religious or practical one. She giggled and ducked her head, so that her beautiful dark hair fell across her face: "It was because practically nobody was a virgin any more", she said.

Then, more seriously, she added that she was sure the main reason for opposition had been religious. It was not true that bostility to her appointment had come only from fanatics outside the village. "There was open hostility here, and it was awful. I can still feel who are my friends and who are my enemies."

With more modesty than probability, she suggested that Herr Stückl had picked her because she was an older woman who might pass as the mother of a 30-year-old. "I really didn't run after the job. My husband asked me to do it, and so did Herr Stückl, but-I was very doubtful. However J think the rule did have to be changed; somebody had to go through this. I didn't want special rights for myself, but 1 did want the women who had

been left out to get a chance." She dropped her eyes humhly, the line of her neck saying eloquently: "Behold, the handmaid of the Lord". She was such an accomplished and instinctive actress that I asked whether, like Herr Stückl, she had considered going on the

professional stage. She seemed puzzled for a moment, as if she could not see the connection. Then she replied with a distinction that exists in the German language, but not in English. The word for a professional actor, she said, was Schauspieler. It denoted a skill, an ability to assume a role and put it down like a mask. But someone who played at Oberammergau was a Darsteller, a "self-actor".

"This play is not a show, and I'm not a star," she said. "Here you have to be more honest in the way you act. You bring up what is in your Perhaps there is a greater identification with the person one plays.

Suddenly I felt I understood why it had seemed so important to some villagers to have a virgin playing the Virgin. As for the task Fran Petre was preparing herself to take on, it suddenly seemed a truly awesome one. And frealized with delight that the two German words expressed exactly what I had often felt about the truth that there can be in amateur acting, which the professional stage with all its tricks can hardly equal.

She was growing weary, and her two saucer-eyed little boys were getting fidgety. It must be tiring to live in a community so concentrated on a single continuing project, I said. "It doesn't make things easy. There is more to quarret about, But it is a constructive stress. It creates sensibility th people. If you gn to Unterammergau, just down the road, you can feel the difference at once. It's ... just a place."

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A CHILDHOOD: SIR PETER HALL

'When I was 10 I asked to hear Mozart's Requiem. I was terribly precocious' by Ray Connolly

ir Peter Hall's parents could not have given him more than they did. Working-class people, they believed the way ahead was through education. They encouraged their only son to excel. The first book Sir Peter remembers in the home was a collected works of Dickens, in tiny print, obtained by his father, on his behalf, by saving coupons in the News Chronicle. He still has the book.

But in encouraging him they created a huge gulf, - which was not properly bridged until the last years of my father's life.

"It was terribly sad because they were wonderful people. I used to ask my mother why they didn't have any more children and she'd say: 'We can't do for two what we can do for one"."

But the more they did for him the greater the gap became. "I am very much of the Richard Hoggart generation. The working-class boy - elementary school, grammar school and university - who finds himself absolutely separated from his parents and his family. The Uses of Literacy struck me like a

"It wasn't so much a class gap as an education gap between us. They were terribly proud of how far they had come and of where they thought I might go, although of course they were terribly wor-ried at first, dead worried."

The result was that he felt an outsider, not only in his family because of his education, but also an outsider in where he was trying to arrive, at school and at university.

The most celebrated English stage director, having run the Royal Shakespeare Company and then the National Theatre, he now has his own company. His production of Ibsen's The Wild Duck has just opened at the Phoenix

He was born in Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk, in 1930. His mother liked to say she was "in business", but she was really an assistant in a draper's shop. His father was a goods clerk on the railway, who had been to grammar school on a scholarship and "bettered himself. He was the first person in my family to get any kind of educatioo"

... The ambition was quickly passed on to his son. "He was a very wise, very calm man, but totally unambitious. He didn't want to get on. I think all my mother's thwarted ambitions about my father and herself were

poured into me. "My father's father had been a rat catcher on the Sandringham estate. This used to fascinate me, but my mother would always say: 'He wasn't a rat catcher, he was a vermin exterminator.' Isn't it wonderful? It makes me cry to think of it.

They only died a year and a half ago, within a few days of each other, but they oever once went in an aeroplane, nor even abroad. They could have done. My father got free travel with the railways after the war. They could have got on a train and gone to Paris but they never did. They just didn't

Right from the start they gave their son the best they knew, with a private kindergarten education from five until eight. "My father only earned about £3 a week but somehow they found the money for this, and for piano lessons, which were sixpence a week. My musical education probably came before anything else, in fact.

"My father was with the Bury St Edmunds Amateur Operatie Society, and because I had quite an easy aptitude for learning to play I used to accompany him from quite early on."

He was, he suspects, a hideously precocious child, due in part to the fact that for a long time he was the only one in a large extended family of aunts, uncles and grandparents. Never expected to do any work around the house ("I grew up to believe that was women's work"), he was always encouraged to read or listen to music. In his bedroom he would have an electrie fire, his radio and his books. He always read "omnivorously".

When Sir Peter was between the ages of five and nine his father was station master at Barham, a remote Suffolk spot on a single line with just live trains a day They had no gas, electricity or running water, and only an out-side lavatory. He loved it. "I learnt about the woods and birds and flowers from an old gamekeeper called Charlie Kent oo the Duke of Grafton's estate.'

Years later this early fascination with rural life would lead him to make the film Akenfield.

Just before the outbreak of war the family moved to Cambridge, which he considers one of the greatest pieces of good fortune in his life. "It was very significant



Sir Peter Hall and (below) as a child: "My grandfather was a rat catcher on the Sandringham estate. But my mother would always call him 'a vermin exterminator'."

because I had the war years in Cambridge, and so many things were evacuated from London and happened there. I remember I saw The Marriage of Figaro in the week of my tenth hirthday. I know it was that week because on my hirthday I heard Mozart's Re-

quiem in King's College Chapel."
Whose idea was that? "I asked if I could go. That's why I think I was terribly precocious."

He was now attending an elemeotary school but woo a scholarship to Perse School, Cambridge. Although he was already growing away from his parents he felt an outsider at school, too. The minor scholarship boys had their fees paid by the local authority, and while all the other boys would have shiny new books bought by their fathers, the minor scholar-ship boys would have old dog-eared haod-me-dowos with "minor scholar book" stamped all over them. He remembers this

with absolute fury.

He was doing well, but there were always days of anxiety that he would not get over the next hurdle - the scholarship to the grammar school, the school certificate, the higher certificate and a scholarship to Cambridge. Of course he did. He passed everything, always, played Hamlet and even became head boy. And somewhere along the line his Suffolk accent gradually, unintentionally, disappeared.

His theatrical education had begun at four, when he had been taken to see Robinson Crusoe at the Playhouse, Bury St Edmunds. He can still remember the

expectation and the lights.

There was a great deal of theatre in Cambridge in the war years ("I saw Gielgud's Hamlet in 1942, standing at the back in the Arts Theatre"). Sometimes his parents would go with him, but they really only liked it because he did.

When he reached his teens there would be school parties to Stratford and, able to make use of his father's free travel on the railways (the facility extended to employ-ees' families), he went up to London regularly to stay with an aunt in Lewisham, going to the theatre, matinées and evenings, for four or five days in a row. He would do odd jobs - fruit picking and paper rounds - to earn the ticket money. He has, he thinks, seen everything worth seeing on the London stage since 1943.



"It was still possible to see things terribly cheaply in those days. My equivalent today

couldn't see what I saw. "I don't know where the idea to become a director came from ~ how does a child know what a director does? - but I knew someone made it all happen. And I wanted to do that from very early on. I know I read Stanislavsky at an indecently early age.

The greatest blessing I've had in life is to know what I wanted to do, and then to find that the world would let me do it."

Before university there was national service. At 18 he finished playing Hamlet in the school production one Friday night, and arrived at RAF West Kirby oo the Monday morning, aiming at the education corps which he thought was the best skive and which might not be a total waste of time.

The air force had nothing to be said for it at all. It was; he says, full of the most horrible, appalling, terrible people, and where fascism education training centre did have the advantage of being just four miles from Stratford-npoo-Avon.
"Take the 6.30 hus from the depot down to the theatre, and you could walk in in those days. I can still recite the cast list of every production from the summer of

After a year as an acting sergeant teaching economics and business management at a demobilization centre in Germany (although he had only done economics as a subsidiary subject at school), where he played piano duets and directed his first play (strangely, he cannot remember its title), he returned to Cambridge, to St Catharine's College and his degree in English. "It was my best

subject, but I also wanted to get as

much Shakespeare as I could." He was now engaged to a pilot officer in the WRAF, and for a year his master plan to become a director went awry. This was good for his degree and he got a first at the end of his first year. In the second year the theatre won, the engagement was broken off, he acted a lot and got a second. In his final year he directed five produc-

tions and ended up with a third. "Had there been a fourth year I'd have failed. But university gives you those three precious years to find out what you want to do. It isn't about qualifications."

Directing came to him with an almost physical sense of knowing he was doing the right thing. "Like a duck taking to water. I just knew what to do. The only times I've I've been thinking: 'Now what ought I to do?"

"One of the great things about Cambridge in those days was that the national Press came to your productions. By the time I had finished I'd had Uncle Vanya and Love's Labours Lost favourably reviewed in the national Press. When I got my degree I did a season at the Cambridge Festival and was asked to take Pirandello's Henry IV for a formight to the Arts Theatre in London, where it got more Press."

The day after it opened he was telephoned by Windsor Rep who asked him to do a play there. Two weeks after leaving Cambridge he was directing professionally. The good luck continued. Given an assistant's joh at the Arts, between directing at various reps around the south of England, he was suddenly left in charge. One of his first productions was a play by a writer he had never heard of. It was called Waiting For Godot.

"It was sent round to me by Donald Albery who said be couldo't get anyone who wanted to put it oo or who wanted to be in it. I read it straight through and decided immediately. I can't pretend I knew what it was about, but l didn't worry about that. I just found it terribly surprising, very finny and very moving. A new form of play."

Godot received a mixed recep-

tioo ("there was muttering and murmuring all the way through the first night"), but it alerted others to his presence. Tennessee Williams called and told him be would like him to do his plays in Londoo (Sir Peter has just finished filming his Broadway production of Williams's Orpheus Descending), and a call came from Stratford. Since the age of 15, his ambition had beco to run Strauford.

He did not realize it at the time, but he was iocredihly lucky. As though it were not enough to be given a theatre at the age of 24, he had also been sent the right play. And, of course, had he been a different animal, he might have turned that play down.

Geraldine Ranson on writing as an art

In a fair hand

mothers that the day would come when able-bodied, educated women would pay good money for other people to write their invitations, they would have scarcely believed it. Yet today hostesses wili pay 60p a word and more to a calligrapher who writes their place cards and invitations, and woe betide anyone foolish enough to make use of the convenience of computer labels on the envelopes.

"I need my calligrapher more than I need my secretary," says Deborah Bennett, a marketing and communications expert. She frequently gives image-building parties for her clients where the invitation is the first signal. When it is beautifully bandwritten people understand immediately that the occasion is very special and they respond."

Alastair Eliott Lockhart of The Walton Street Stationery Company, who will write for his customers under protest, charges £60 per hour. "I once eyen wrote a thank-you letter for a girl after a weekend house party. A wedding invitatioo takes 15 minutes and of course it is repetitive and boring. I won't do more than 25 the same."

When customers come into the shop to buy an expensive pen like a Montblanc (their Meisterstück, issued this month, costs from £340) to improve their handwriting, Eliott Lockhart usually suggests that they start with a cheaper Pelikan pen which encloses a booklet showing the strokes, and go away and

Most professional calligraphers and handwriting enthusiasts belong to the Socicty for Italic Handwriting, which on Tuesday meets for its annual meeting and to hear an address from its new gives me enormous pleasure."

president, Humphrey Lyttelton, who has chosen as his topic "Living with Pen and Processor". As word processors came into common use. he noted that italic writing sets became standard stock in most branches of W.H. Smith. Humphrey Lyttelton re-

members writing lines in copperplate as a punishment at his prep, school in Sunningdale. He inherited his love of calligraphy from his father, George, a house master at Eton. After his parents death, their son inherited his father's desk with all his pens and his bulletins from the Society For Italic Hand-

Sir Patrick Nairne, Chancellor of Essex University and a former Master of St Catherine's College, Oxford, who lists calligraphy among his hobbies, instilled a love of handwriting into his six children. Today his daughter. Fiona Greenwood, is a professional calligrapher. She also teaches. "The trouble is that most teachers are not taught how to teach handwriting. Most of them are oot even confident about their own." Most of her pupils are adult seeking to learn to write a legible, pleasing script. An hour's coaching makes a hig difference, Mrs Greenwood believes, and three sessions can help an adult to create a

new and personal style. David Kindersley, the stooe cutter and inventor of eight typefaces, iocluding that used for many street names in Britain, never uses a typewriter in his workshops. He also claims that hills written in his wife's beautiful hand get paid very much more quickly. Humphrey Lyttehon adds: "I turn my quarterly returns into a wonderful exercise in calligraphy. I don't know if it impresses the VAT man but it

Reading the graph's books page last week, I could not but eading the Daily Telegrieve for the way the world dwindles daily for the humorist. An epidemic of jocularity is sweeping the country. We are all Mad Cows now. The trouble is not that there is nothing to laugh at hus that there is everything to laugh at. Jokes are fast running out, for a joke must transform real life in some perverse way, and real life has begun to perform the same operation perfectly professionally upon itself.

The book review that caught my eye was of The Oxford Book of Canadian Military Anecdotes. Now, the ever-increasing dullness and oddity of Oxford books is an old favourite among humorists, who are always trying to think up new and hilariously tedious Oxford Book of ... utles. The real-life Oxford Book of Death set us back a hit, hut The Oxford Book of Canadian Military Anecdotes has dealt us a blow from which it will be hard to recover. Already there are reports from the North that up to 10 humorous johs have been lost. and a joke factory is to close.

But the joke in the Telegraph did not end with the title. I was wondering why the Telegraph's literary editor, usually a very sensible fellow (as those of us who have books out this year will all agree! should have granted such a lot of space to such an obviously boring book. I then noticed the by-line. It was "Conrad Black", who is, well, blow me down, the Canadian proprietor of The Daily Telegraph. So, not only was this a firstclass joke about OUP books, it was also a first-class joke about newspaper proprietors, and not a joke-monger in

sight, Esoterie art exhibitions with wacky titles are another simple way for a humorist to raise a laugh. But there seems to be no point any more in going to all that trouble, because real life continues to win hands down. In The Times's list of recommended art exhibitions

CRAIG BROWN

Now here's a funny thing

this week, there was one at the the past couple of years, the Design Museum titled "Sardine Tin Labels from Nnrway", on until June t7.

Wednesday, it was announced that the new Stephen Sondheim musical would be called Assassins. Leading characters would include Lee Harvey Oswald and Sirhan Sirhan, and there would be a final chorus in which the assassins turn to the audience singing: "We've done our hit - now it's your turn." Just as t was adding this to the claim hy the editor of The Times Literary Supplement in last week's Speciator that there had once been a musical about the Kray brothers, I read of yet another musical, called The Death of Klinghoffer, about the wheelchair-bound tourist who was murdered by terrorists on the Achille Lauro in 1985.

From time to time in these pages, I like to parody the memoirs of politicians. highlighting their conceit, their pomposity, their simple

job has become abominably hard, for each politician seem: ay", on until June t7. far more adept at parodying And so it goes on: on himself than I could ever hope to be. Who could capture the complacency of Callaghan better than he does himself, in this sentence from his memoirs, summing up his feelings on the outcome of the disastrous 1979 General Election? "It demonstrated how much steady understanding and support existed for what we had tried to do." And who could hetter parody the idea of Christmas at the Benns than Tony Benn, in this extract from his diaries for Sunday December 26, 1976? "Caroline gave each of us a copy of the Communist Manifesto in our stockings, published in English in Russia, and she gave Josh a book called Marx for Beginners and gave Hilary Isaac Deutscher's three-volume biography of Trotsky."

Though Graham Greene only came second io a New Statesman weekend competition for parodies of Gradelight in themselves. Over ham Greene, I suspect he was

NICK MALAND REALISTS NIGHT

trying too hard. He should have sent in the first paragraph of The Honrary Consult Doctor Eduardo Plarr stood in the small port of Parana, among the rails and yellow cranes, watching where a horizontal plume of smoke stretched over the Chaco... tt was an evening which, by some mysterious combination of failing light and the smell of an unrecognized plant, brings back to some men the sense of childhood and of future hope and to others the sense of something which has been lost

and nearly forgotten. Similarly, a Ruth Rendell first paragraph competition would undoubtedly be won by Ruth Rendell: "It was the first dead body he had ever seen . . . Something unpleasant had happened to her face; it was swollen and a greyish-blue colour, and her eyes protruded under strained. shiny eyelids" (Master of the Moor).

And no one can quite capture the full pedantry of the final, nit-picking lines of an Anthony Powell review quite so well as Anthony Powell: "The note on p.90 should read Lady Diana Bridgeman, not Bradford; the Princesse de Caraman-Chimay on p.430, the same as she on p.559, was nee Henoessy, not Hamilton; the dog that acted in La Dolce Vita belonged to Irish Tree, not Mrs Taffy Rodd." There are already

murmuriogs in the joke-mills of a national strike by humorists. We will down exclamation-marks until the world pulls its socks up and acts seriously ooce more. But the situation is looking bleak. News just in confirms that Radio 1 disc-jockey Mike Read, prevented by the Betjeman estate from putting on a musical called England's Teddy Bear about Sir John Betjeman, will be presenting a new musical about Rupert Brooke in the West End this autumn. Already, massed lines of humorists are gathering at Beachy Head, ready to



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Great staircase, shame about the bathrooms



rooms are ter-rible," said the woman with the red suit and matching mo-

bile phone. She was talking about our bathrooms. She had invited herself in from the street, placed her calling card by the door and taken a little tour.

"Nice house," she smiled.
"French eclectic — which meaos that bits of it are French," she explained with a second, flashier smile. "But the bathrooms ...

they're the wrong bits."
Her card claimed that she was a "million dollar" realtor. Her lips proclaimed that she was "pricing up a local property for a client". We probably should have shown her the door. She could have been a female Raffles, sizing up our christening silver for a heist. But then we would oever have known what she felt about our fat chromium "faucets" (or taps, as we lamely insisted oo calling them); nor her view of our handbasins, which we discovered were called "lavatories". And we would oot have known the name of our real lavatories: "Flushmasters! Wonderful pull, as loog as they work," she summed up with a sigh, before treading gingerly over the dulled black-and-white tiles towards the bedroom door, out down the wrought-iroo staircase ("a good bit of France") to the safety of her baby BMW.

Without her we might also oot have learnt a useful fact about the place in which we had come to live; that there are two types of bouses in Washington - those that people like to live io, and those that realtors like to sell. Sometimes the two categories overlap but only rarely, when the city sits oo the edge of a recession and eveo America's most ultra-mobile people prefer to batten down their hatches and stay put.

Our house has had only two previous owners in 60 years. It is a very comfortable family house. 1926 was a good year for jazz, General Strikes and, in our view, for French Eclectic architecture in the Chevy Chase district. But it

was a bad year for bathrooms. Indeed, the only good year for bathrooms, it transpires, is this year. Lavatories and faucets keep builders in business. And in 1990 - when the US capital feels an economic draught from falliog defence budgets, rising interest rates and a nasty sense that it is no longer the centre of the free world

- the pressure on the chrome-and-gold pipework is rising.

The action is not so much now io the old areas of town, but some five miles further out of the city, towards Baltimore. The heart of the oew selling-fields is called Potomac - a smart local name for a place which is as ill-defined and expandable as a marketing man could desire, and which developers are coovinced can be made as chic as old Georgetown.
Potomac's "tract mansions", as

they are called, sit on minimumsized two-acre plots which only a year or two ago were part of the Maryland countryside. They are generically described as "classics", and have names like The Manor and The Hampstead. They feel very close packed together. That may be because of their vast size; also, perhaps, because of the American "builder's acre", a por-tion which, unlike the baker's dozen, is less than it ought to be. There are no oearby shops or schools, and the roads are narrow.

But huyers are said to like the mixture of exclusivity and famili-arity which these neighbourboods" bring. To those who are persuaded to pay up to \$5 million for them, the tract mansions are the latest statement of "arrival". To the car-drivers oo the clogged arterial highway, they are massive idols to look upon and dream. And to those who have to spend any time in them, they are, at least, marvellous places to wash.



Ooe of the choicest currently oo sale is at 10704 Riverwood Drive. Here, according

from two of Washingtoo's bestknown builders, is a world of romance in which a paradox of spacious intimacy prevails". The main bedroom suite alone has 14 separate rooms.

The master bath, in a word, is sumptuous," the would-be buyer is told. And, in case a single word is not coough, there are a few more. "The bath is warmed to the foot with radiant beat floors and bejewelled with dazzling polished

"Watch the firelight dancing in the reflection of champagne chilled from the wet bar tucked discreetly against the wall," the builders urge. "Gaze at falling stars from the second-storey balcony, or contemplate a midnight swim io the tranquil pool below."

Champagne is to be served in the double "Brun Fleuri" Jacuzzi. ooe of Washington's biggest realtor groups, "anything over the only part of the suite designated for joint his-and-her use. The rest is precisely marked out for sexual privacy. He has a green marble shower that two Franciscan priests could comfortably inhabit - if they could bear the sense of living in a giant after-shave carton. She has a "vanity" big enough to make up the entire cast of A Chorus Line. Both have clothes cupboards that would satify Mrs Marcos - even he is anticipated to be the possessor of a

hundred pairs of shoes. There is something wonderfully sincere about the way in which our guiding realtor (not the "mil-lionaire club" lady, but Mr Oliver Cowan, the natioo's "Number One") reveals the bathrooms of Riverwood. He has already shown us the 60st entertainment hall which we all suspect will be more wanted than used. We have seen the Caledonia Granite kitchen, with its Jennair state-of-the-art oven beside Barely Gray beaded Rutt cabinetry - and we all know in our hearts that it will one day be occupied by a tin-opening, pizzadelivery-dialling couple with a Spanish-speaking staff who would much prefer an Aga.

We have seen the "butler's office", with the desk where the cook is supposed to sit to write up the daily menus and pay the grocery bills for the noo-existent local shop. Let us hope she has watched some old episodes of Upstairs Downstairs. We have toured the cherry-panelled "li-brary" and seen its shelf space for barely 40 books.

But, by the Jacuzzi upstairs, between the church-style window and the warmed marble floors, there is a sex-and-champagne fantasy in which Mr Cowan is truly confident, "You only come this way once, so why oot do it right?" be insists, as his mobile phone bleeps for the thirtieth time that hour. His urging is not wholly without urgency. Mr Cowan is something of a Washingtoo classic himself - an elegant black salesman who has graduated from vacuum cleaners to multi-millioo dollar houses by working 16 hours a day, seven days a week

There is apparently "activity" on Riverwood. Any hopes that we (finally shamed by our faucets?) or our friends (fresh with new funds from England) might be able to buy a bouse there later this year were apparently slim. But, accord-

realtor groups, "anything over \$450,000 is slow". The price of 10704 Riverwood Drive is \$2.2 million. Mr Cowan admits that business is tough, but says that the "Number One" still managed to make four deals last week. He is still confidently "self-employed, single and happy". If big sales get fewer, he can always concentrate for a while oo cheaper houses.



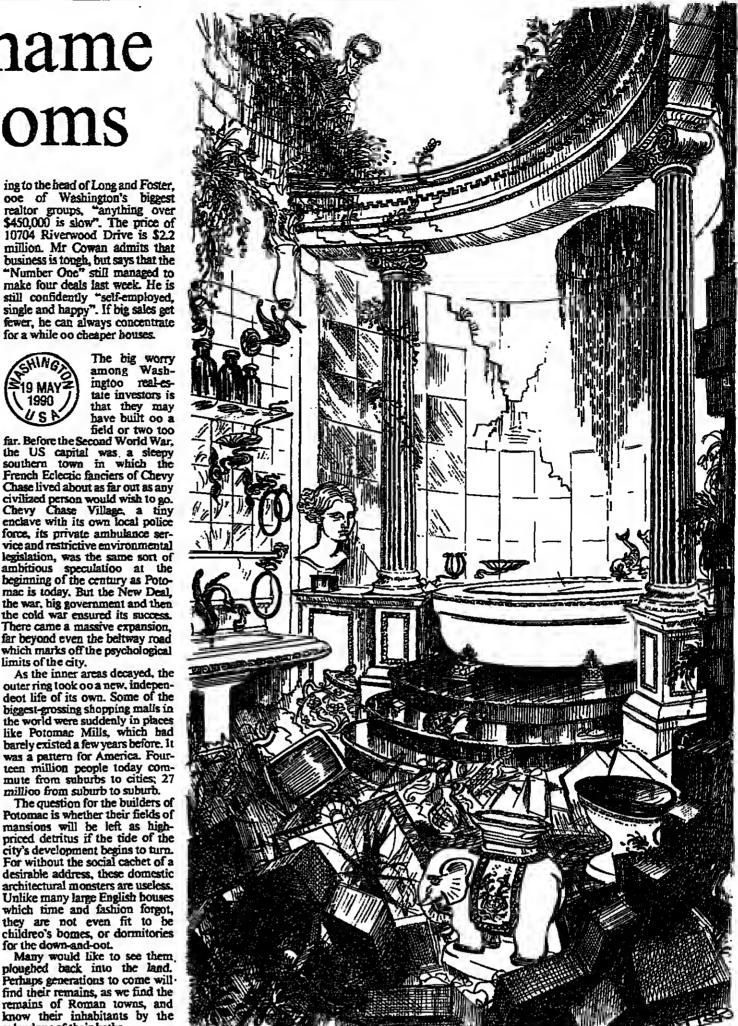
The big worry among Washingtoo real-estate investors is that they may have built oo a field or two too

the US capital was a sleepy southern town in which the French Eclectic fanciers of Chevy Chase lived about as far out as any civilized person would wish to go. Chevy Chase Village, a tiny enclave with its own local police force, its private ambulance service and restrictive environmental legislation, was the same sort of ambitious speculatioo at the beginning of the century as Potomac is today. But the New Deal, the war, hig government and then the cold war ensured its success. There came a massive expansion, far beyond even the beltway road which marks off the psychological limits of the city.

As the inner areas decayed, the outer ring took oo a new, independeot life of its own. Some of the biggest-grossing shopping malls in the world were suddenly in places like Potomac Mills, which had barely existed a few years before. It was a pattern for America. Fourteen million people today com-mute from suburbs to cities; 27 million from suburb to suburb.

The question for the builders of Potomac is whether their fields of mansions will be left as highpriced detritus if the tide of the city's development begins to turn. For without the social cachet of a desirable address, these domestic architectural monsters are useless. Unlike many large English houses which time and fashion forgot, they are not even fit to be childreo's bomes, or dormitories for the down-and-oot.

Many would like to see them ploughed back into the land. Perhaps generations to come willfind their remains, as we find the remains of Roman towns, and know their inhabitants by the splendour of their baths.



COLLECTING

Cards up the earth's sleeve

Alastair Guild on how the rainforests will benefit from a pack of cards

designers were recently in- is difficult to pick out the vited to create a design for a' suits." "transformatioo" playing card pack on the theme of rainforests and animals. Next Wednesday their original artwork goes under the hammer at Bonhams as part of Frieods of the Earth's Rainforest Festival, and later the designs will be produced as packs of cards for sale.

assignment," says Nicola Bay-ley, an illustrator of children's books, who has also painted watercolours for other environmental and childreo's charities. She designed the six of diamoods, based oo the pattern of her kitcheo floor.

For Sir Hugh Cassoo, the difficulty was in choosing a design for the two of diamonds that would "put across an appropriate, arresting message and, at the same time, look good hanging on a wall. A letter is always an excitement, and if it comes from a romantic place and looks as though it has been through hell on the way, that adds to the attractiveness of the message. I found an old envelope from my school days, sent from Papua New Guinea, so I could copy the postmark and the stamp. Papua new Guinea also seemed apt, as one of the world's most mouth wide open in the shape threatened areas." The en- of a diamond, sits in a ravaged velope incorporates a "Frag- environment, trees dying all

"The ooes I like the most are those closest to the true • Transformation Playing spirit of transformation Card Auction, Bonhams, cards, says John Berry, editor Montpelier Street, London of Playing Card World, one of SW7, Wednesday May 23 at two publications of the Inter- 6pm. For further details about national Playing Card Society, the auction and other Rainand an expert oo the subject. forest Festival events phone "The suit signs, or pips, are Arts of the Earth (071-490) where they should be, and 4670/490 5210)

FIFTY-eight of the country's incorporated into the overall design. If it is cleverly done it

The first complete pack of transformation cards was published by Cotta io Germany in 1804, and is now available in facsimile. "The last transformatioo cards io the great tradition were US colour printed cards, published to-wards the end of the last century," Mr Berry says, "One "It was a fiendishly difficult of these packs recently fetched about £5,000 in a private sale. Most of those who have tried to follow the idea this century have allowed the pips to be displaced or distorted."

> One of John Berry's favourites in the latest pack is the eight of clubs, by Jan Pienkowski, incorporating exotic birds on top of the suit sign. Similarly, John Jensen has adapted the nine of spades to look like a fish.

Simon Drew was dealt one of the toughest briefs, the 10 of clubs. He transformed the suit signs into ducks' heads and frogs. Gordoo Beniogfield has represented diamond shapes by spaces between butterflies, while Peter Cross drew hearts io the shape of the open mouths of forest natives, chimpanzees and tigers,

But Joho Berry's favourite is the ace of diamonds, by Lucy Willis. A vulture chick, the diamond shapes.

The diamond shapes.

The diamond shapes.

The diamond shapes.

MUSEUMS

Digging for victory

At Norwich they have an unfair

advantage, as John Shaw reports

rchaeology is meat and drink to museums, and curators will travel hundreds of miles with sharp appetites to add some oew morsel of knowledge to their archives or collections.

But Francis Cheetham is probably the only museum director io the country with a major dig right on his office doorstep, at Norwich Castle. His window overlooks the massive Castle Mall project, one of the most extensive io Europe, on the site of what was originally the outer bailey of the Norman fortress, with a settlemeot beyood. With less than balf of the dig

completed, discoveries, mostly of pottery fragmeots, have already shown the town's strong economic links with the Cootineot io the ceotury or so after the Norman conquest, with pieces from Germany, France and the Netherlands coming to the surface.

Mr Cheetham has spent 27 years at the museum, and is now close to retiring. "There used to be a much more inward-looking attitude in poblic museums than there is nowadays," he says. "I think the change is wholly good. We should respond to the public and be seeo responding. We should be concerned with what is going on around us, and not as coocerned with internal matters."

As director of the county

CHINESE PAVILION: 12-sided painted canvas portable summer house, the only one of its kind, now the centrepiece of a garden exhibition. The Duke of Montagu probably used it for taking tea in the summer at his Tharnes-side house.
The Museum of London,
London Wall, EC2 (071-600
3699). Tues-Sat 10am-6pm,
Sun 2-6pm. Admission free
until August 12. HORSEY: The horse in pots and pictures. Selected items



History on the doorstep: Francis Cheetham at the dig in front of Norwich Castle

museum service he is responsible for 17 different institutioos in Norfolk, a wealthy rural shire on the verge of great economic expansion. But as people flood in with demands for more houses and better roads, its archaeological sites are threatened.

Mr Cheetham is not letting them go without a fight. The county has developed what he believes is a unique response. with an aerial landscape survey covering everything from prehistoric remains to 18thcentury ruins, thanks to the eothusiastic participation of local flying clubs. The earliest contributions to the survey are Second World War photographs taken by the RAF. Over the years Cheetham's department has amassed an archive of 21,500 photographs, in which patterns oo the ground and crop marks have revealed the existence of

from the reserve collection. Stoke on Trent Museum and Art Gallery, Bethesda Street, Hanley (0782 202173). Mon-Sat 10.30am-5pm, Sun 2-5pm. Admission free, until July 15.

STEAMING: See stationary

engines working all day tomorrow, plus a chance to meet "Harriet", "Sylvie" and

big "John". Museum of Lincolnshire Life.

oumerous historic sites. "If the sites identified in this way are under threat from developers we would hope to excavate, because wheo they are built on they are going to be lost," he says. Mr Cheetham is currently

projects. He is opening up the prisoners' tunnel from the court-house to the cells - for some, the last walk of their lives, as public executions were carried out oo the forecourt up to 1846. Less gruesome is the creation of a new museum in the courthouse for the Royal Norfolks; previously unseen material from this famous county regiment will go on show when the museum opens in July, and should increase visitor numbers significantly from the But Mr Cheetham dismisses and appeal, seriousness and current 280,000 a year. suggestions that going for

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TAKING OFF: The story of

transatiantic flight from the earliest days to Richard

Branson's not-air balloon

Imperial War Museum, Duxford, near Cambridge (0223 833963). Daily 10am-6pm, admission £4.50, children 52.50, parking available.

528448), 2-5.30pm.

crossing in 1987.

TIP TOP: Whipping tops, once

a staple of every school playground, among examples at this toy fest. Specimens from the 15th century to 1960 when manufacture ceased. Other toys from 150 stallholders. International Antique Toy and

popular taste and high atten-

dance figures would lead to a

trivialization of the collec-

tions. "We have 2,600 teapots,

for example, the largest collec-

tioo in the world. That could

be called trivial, but oo the

other hand there is a very

serious side to it, because the

history of teapots is the history

of ceramics in this country.

You get both popularization

and sound academic inquiry.

You have got to preserve a

was left to the museum in a

bequest. A private collection

was then acquired and, in a

shrewd move, Twinings was

persuaded to put some

sponsorship money ioto the

project, now called the Twin-

ing Teapot Gallery. "That," says Mr Cheetham with a grin.

The original group of 600

balance between them."

Doll Convention, Ramada Inn. Lille Road, London SW6 (071-385 1255). Tomorrow, 9.30am-4.30pm. Adults £4, children £1, ree catalogue.

John Shaw

CAMPUS

The world's their stage

Louise Chantal on the challenge facing Oxford University Dramatic Society

THE Tokyo Globe may seem an extreme alternative to the closed Oxford Playhouse, but Oxford University Dramatic Society (OUDS) has successfully toured to that 700-seat theatre for the past two years. So if Tokyo's Globe is possible, and all the world's a stage, why not the USSR, Hong Kong, Australia and the US? It was this thought that sent Richard Long and myself, co-presidents of OUDS, around the world for 12 days to organize this summer's international tour.

The tour is the showpiece of 12 months of change and restoration. When the university initiated the endowment of a visiting professorship of contemporary theatre by the producer, Cameron Mackintosh, it seemed to be the cue for action. Stephen Sondheim, the first incumbent of the oew post, and his successors would be out of place at a university without theatre, drama faculty or any kind of production or co-ordination body for the legion of student shows presented here

So OUDS has independently refurbished the Burton-Taylor Theatre, a 50-seat studio huilt io 1973 after a donatioo by that illustrious couple, and hitherto unable to secure a public licence. OUDS members have been finalists at the National Student Drama Festival in both 1989 and 1990, winning the com-pany award last year. We have also initiated a New Writing festival, several international exchanges, and a regular series of professionally led workshops.

OUDS is touring with two very different productions -Twelfth Night and Find Me, a contemporary play by a OUDS can be contacted at the Burton-Taylor Theatre writer, Olwen Wymark, which 0865 793002

portrays the anguish and joy in the life of a violently insane girl. While the Shakespeare cao be lavish with its humour and fill the largest of prosceoiums. Find Me was originally a workshop piece, thriving best in an intimate space, and the tour provides a generous mix of venues ideally suited to one or the other.

On the pre-tour trip we whirled from press cooference to theatre, from airport to embassy, interview, studio and theatre, conscious of havng to pick up as much informatioo about the cities, people and venues as possible to pass on to the company. We were mugged in New York, fed and fed up in Los Angeles, welcomed in

We also put forward the idea of a regular international student theatre festival, the first of which we hope to host in Oxford io 1991. Every group we approached enthused, and we now have plans for the exchange of international theatre for several years, using OUDS as a bureau of contacts and information. Suddenly we had before us plans to send Sydney University to Russia, Harvard to Japan, and hring Chung Ying from Hoog Kong to Oxford. The only thing that this tour oow needs is £70,000, to enable us to get to the Bing Theatre in LA, the Melbourne Alexandra, and a little town in-Fukuoka called Oki Machi, where I'm told the whole town is likely to turn up to watch us perform, and there won't be a dry eye in the house, although the audience barely speaks English. My money, if we get it, is on that being the highlight of the whole tour.

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EXHIBITIONS

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Nigel Andrew explores the perfectly organized history of Britain's original and best leisure and pleasure city, Bath

t comes bubbling out of the earth hand-hot, it tastes as if it had recently been used to boil cabbage, and it huilt a city. The water of Bath, gushing from the only hot spring in England, even today seems to inspire a kind of superstitious wonder. Visitors to the baths may be drawn by antiquarian interest and simple sightseeing tages, but thousands of them throw coins into the water for luck, and few can resist trailing their fingers in it, despite the warning ootices everywhere (the water in the baths is ated, and might be a health

uburbs

Today's votaries are not, generally, in search of health. They come to enjoy the elegant amenities of what is still, despite three decades of municipal vandalism, a great Georgian city, a city of which the haths are the natural focus. It is, as it has been for a quarter of a millennium, a resort city, designed for leisure and pleasure — though its 18th-century planners could hardly have envisaged tourist invasions oo the modern scale. In summer the city often reaches something like bursting point.

It was old Bladud's pigs who started it all. Bladud, a king of the Britons in the 9th century BC (son of Hudibras and father of Lear), caught leprosy and was banished from court. He became a swineherd, but his pigs too were afflicted with a distressing skin condition. One day they chanced oo a tempting puddle of warm mud, had a good wallow in it — and were cured. Bladud tried it himself, found it worked oo him too, and was eventually able to geturn to court. Io gratitude he cleared the hot spring of mud and established a shrine to the goddess Sulis, around which, many centu-ries later, the city of Bath was to

A quaint seated statue of Bladud (17th-century work) still presides over the King's Bath. Here, and io the oow demolished Queen's Bath, both open to the sky, centuries of invalids, hypochondriacs and pleaire-seekers took to the opaque, steaming waters. It was all pretty informal, not to say licentious, and when the baths began to attract a fashionable clientele in the 18th century, things had to change. Manners were reformed (op to a point) and the city was rebuilt on a grand scale as the greatest and handsomest of English spas, with all the amenities of polite society. In the course of this wholesale reconstruction, wonderful discoveries were made. The Roman city began to give up its treasures.

made in 1727 by workmen digging a

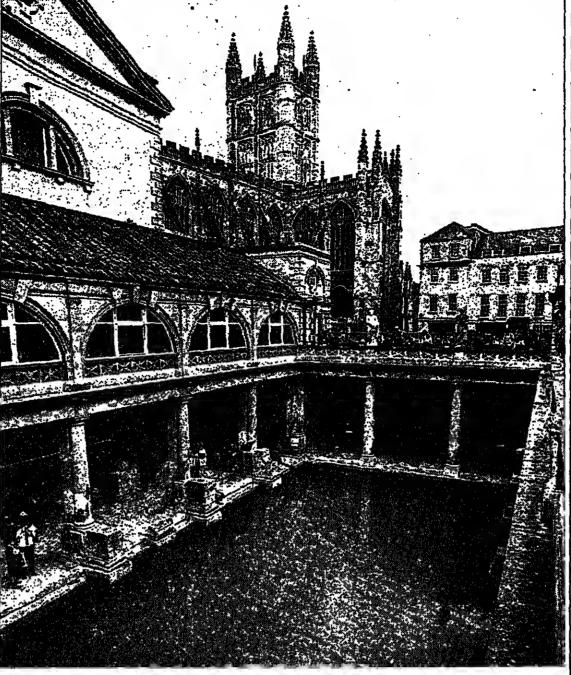
sewer trench io Stall Street. It was a life-sized head of Minerva, the goddess of the springs, astonishingly well preserved, made of gilded bronze. It is now the prize exhibit in the Roman Baths Museum, beautifully displayed in a dramatically lit transparent box. All the great finds which followed - the Gorgoo's head pediment, the Luna pediment, the tombstooes and votive altars - are exhibited with similar flair in this modern, uncluttered, brilliantly organized museum. It occupies the actual site of the great Roman bathing establishment which was uncovered io all its glory in a series of systematic excavations beginning in the 1860s. Hence it is some 20 feet underground, in a carefully modulated gloom, from which the exhibits stand out in eye-catching pools of light.

It is a museum of large gestures, in proportion to the scale of the remains. There are big, bold inscriptions — including an evocative quotatioo from a Saxon poem about the ruins of Roman Bath - a large, well-mounted relief plan of the ancient city, and a huge wooden model of the baths complex.

Complex is the word: the more the excavators dug, the more they found, eventually unearthing a gigantic Roman "leisure centre" with temple attached, nearly all of which is oow oo view, in various states of preservation or dilapidation. With the honourable exception of the Great Bath (which we shall be coming to), nothing is faked, no gaps filled in with dubious reconstructions. There is really no oeed for any of that, for these are far and away the most extensive and cohereot Roman remains in England - if we leave aside Hadrian's Wall, anyway. The excavations and finds are displayed with a lucidity and verve rarely encountered at Roman sites.

The smaller exhibits include the temple treasures of silver and pewter and coins offered to the goddess, piled up in such quantities they suggest a jackpot spilling from the celestial fruit machine. Latio curses were also thrown into the sacred spring, and some of the deciphered inscriptions show a fine, timeless vindictiveness: "Docimelis has lost two gloves. He asks that the person who has stolen them should lose his mind and his eyes in the temple where she appoints." Docimelis must have been rather attached to those gloves. The inscriptions on the tomb-

stones and altars, on the other hand, are models of sensible Roman restraint, stoical, resigned to fate, emotionally detached. These moouments once lined the roads into the



Still waters rusning green: the Great Bath, uncurthed in the 1880s with its Roman lead lining intact

smart resort which grew op around the sacred, health-giving, pleasurebringing hot spring.

The centre of the Roman "leisure

complex" was, of course, the Great Bath, the size of a modern swimming pool, in those days covered with a high, barrel-vaulted roof, now opeo to the elements. It is an extraordinary sight, and a quite assonishing survival; when it was unearthed in the 1880s, its Roman lead lining was found to be still intact. There is a charming photograph in the museum of late Victorian worthies standing around the ocwly reopened Great Bath, oo which - a delightful touch - water

but otherwise the Great Bath is very much as the Victorians left it, embellished with coovincing statues of Roman notables, looking down oo the greenish water from their places atop the colonnade. Visitors stroll among the columns, stand oo the steps and peer into the murky depths, or lounge like sated Romans in patches of trapped sunlight. The baths, like the city itself, still encourage ease, and anyway it is best to take these great remains at a leisurely pace; there is an awful lot to see, with whole suites of smaller bath-houses opening off

There is only one way to round Today the water lilies are gone, with refreshment in the Pump 9am-6pm). Adult £2.70, child £1.40. 1 10.30am-5pm.

the Great Bath at either end.

Room, that sumptuous 18th-century interior, presided over by the statue of Beau Nash, who did so much to make Bath what it is, or was. The water (treated) can be bought by the glass, and the Pump Room Trio might be playing - with ooisy competitioo from more raucous entertainments going on in the Piazza outside. Beyond lies the abbey, Sally Lunn's, the Pulteney bridge, the Assembly Rooms, the Circus and Royal Crescent, and all the glories of Georgian Bath. The city has come a long way from that puddle of warm mud.

 The Roman Baths and Museum. Bath, Avon, are open daily (summer

Forest festivities

he Rainforest Festival, the largest ever to be organized by Friends of the Earth and supporters, begins today for two weeks, with bundreds of different evects from classical concerts to children's workshops taking place throughout the country. Proceeds from the festival will be used for FOE scientific research, and to fund forestry initiatives in Brazil, Africa, Malaysia and Papua New Guinea. Today's events' include a local festival in the Imperial Gardens, Cheltenham; a family parrot picnic in Priory Park, Prittlewell, Southend; children's activities, bands and music in the shopping precinct, Worcester, a concert at Stevenage College; cabaret and films at the Royal Concert Hall, Nottingham; and a rainforest band at the Oxford Venue, Oxford. Tomorrow there is a sponsored family walk in the Malvern Hills and benefit concert at Campus West, Welwyn and Hatfield. Io London tomorrow you can support the cause by attending the Rainforest Recital at the Wigmore Hall, listen to the Greenwood Orchestra at St Mary the Virgin, Primrose Hill, or attend — io tropical fancy dress — the jungle hop at the Londoo Pavilion, Piccadilly. The Barbican centre is organizing dozens of foyer events and children's workshops throughout the week.

Further information about these and other events taking place in your area can be obtained by ringing the Festival Office (071-490 4670/5210) today 10am-4pm, tomorrow 11am-4pm, eekdays 9am-7pm.

MODEL BOAT RALLY: National event with 10 classes' and trophles to be won at the museum which houses the finest collection of vintage steamboats in the world.

Panoramic lakeside views, refreshments throughout. Windemere Steamboat Museum, Raywig Road, Bowness on Windermere, Cumbria (09662 5565). Today, tomorrow, 10am-5pm. Adult £2, child £1.

NUNHEAD CEMETERY OPEN DAY: Annual opportunity to explore the 52-acre Victorian cemetery. Free conducted tours on the hour from noon, natural history walks, a genealogy desk, brass rubbings, children's activities. Nunhead Cemetery, Lindon Grove, London SE15, Today, 1 tam-5pm. Further information 081-639 1613.

SHEEP SHEARING DAY: Rare breeds from the farm and others from nearby flocks will be axpertly shorn. Also demonstrations of spinning demonstrations of spiriting and weaving. Dorset Rare Breeds Centre, Park Farm, Shaftsbury Road, Gillingham, Dorset. Tomorrow 10am-6pm, adult £2, child

FESTIVAL OF FLOWERS AT ROGANTIDE: The church will be filled with flowers and crops from the field and garden. A concert by the Cappella Singers today, Rogation service tomorrow evening with the Bishop of Gloucester. Church tower open and light refreshment and a produce refreshment and a proc tent in the churchyard. St Martin's, North Nibley, Dursley, Gloucs, Today, tomotrow, Hunts Court Garden open today 2-6pm.

BRAEMOR CRAFT SHOW: Variety of traditional crafts for ale and demonstrated at this 16th-century manor house in pleasant grounds. Braemor House. Fordingbridge, Hants (07257 270). Today, tomorro

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE 75TH ANNIVERSARY MAY FAIR: Organized by the West Yorkshire Federation, a two-day fair with the emphasis on country pursuits. Bands, morris men, vintage cars both days. Wi marquee with a craft fair, exhibitions, stalls. and other refreshments. Nostell Priory, Doncaster Road, Nostell, near Wakefield, West Yorkshire. Today noon-5pm, tomorrow 11am-5pm. Adult 21.50, child 70p.

WORLD OF ART DECO FAIR: Considered to be one of the best events of its kind for collectors of 1920s and 1930s fashion, furnitura, interior design, decorative arts and ceramics, attended by 250 dealers from all over the country.
Greenwich Borough Hall,
Royal Hill, Greenwich, SE10.
Tomorrow, 10am-5pm.

EAST COAST BOAT SHOW: Two hundred exhibitors and 100 boats afloat. Many supporting entertainments, trade stands and boeting

information.
Bourne Park, Wherstead Road, Ipswich, Suffolk. Today, tomorrow, 10am-5pm, adult £3, child £1.50 or free if

MEDIEVAL MAY FAYRE; 125 crafts sited under marquees with many of the craftsmen and women in period dress. Demonstration and supporting Cranleigh Agricultural Showground, Cranleigh, Surrey. Today, tomorrow.

CARS AT THE DOCKYARD: Rolls-Royce anthusiasts parade their vehicles throughout. Static display of vintage and veteran vehicles. Also an art exhibition. Chatham Historic Dockyard, Chatham, Kant (0634 B12551). Tomorrow 10am-6pm, adults £4.50, child £2.50, family ticket (two adults, two children) £10).

MOTORING CHALLENGE

Along the Silk Road

through an interpreter oo Chinese traffic regulations. It was our first morning over the border in the London-to-Pe-

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king Motoring Challenge.

He wore a white tunic with red stripes oo the lapels, a cap of green and white heavy with gold braid and a pair of jet black sunglasses, looking like a contender high oo the shortlist for the first available presidency of a banana republic.

The lecture started slowly. The Chinese drove oo the right; so should we, and we should indicate right when turning right. It picked up when detailing the use of roundabouts: to turn left you did oot go round, but cut

Then the occasioo was lifted by Mr Ma's advice oo driving technique; no eating, drinking, smoking or talking while at the wheel, and oo driving when you were tired.

This final point brought ironic cheers from his audience, since when we had crawled into Yiolog at 12.15am the night before and had sat down to dinner at lam, we were at the eod of our tether. A two-hour delay at the border, because some Challengers had failed to fill in their customs declarations forms, was forgotten as we set of to lioo dances and fire crackers. Refuelling at the petrol station, waiting ontil the last car was ready, took another two hours, but thousands had waited up to greet us as we entered the city.

Leaving the city the next morning at seven in the dark, we saw two meo playing pool on the kerbside, the table illuminated by a single bulb overhead.

To a tight coovey we eegotiated rough roads, crossed a ford, climbed the Heavenly Mountains, descended past Syram Lake and eveotually reached Urumchi for lunch.

Driving out of the provincial capital was a revelation. We appeared to take 20 eightmile tour of the city, through

MR MA, chief of traffic police for the Xianjiang Province, stood up to deliver a lecture

New adventures befall the members of the London to Peking car convov as it reaches China. Graham Rock reports



streets lined with excited locals; the crowd was estimated at over 100,000 and in places allowed a clearance of three inches on either side of the vehicle. Mothers beld out their children to be blessed by the Challengers and at times eager spectators blocked the

Moving through the desert mountains, those stopping to take photographs were hurried along by traffic police. After another interminable fuel stop, we trailed into Turfan and sat down to dinner at 11.30pm. Turfan is the lowest inhabited place in the world, and the Challenge had reached its nadir. Revolution was in

Wheo Mildred Cable roamed this area 60 years ago she met in Turian spiders with bodies as large as pigeoos' eggs which made a crunching sound when they devoured their prey. It wouldn't have mattered if we had peeled back the bed clothes to find a nest of vipers, we would have happily have snuggled up

Late-night negociations betweeo the organizers of the Challenge and Mr Ma produced a compromise. We would travel in coovoy through the built-up areas,

then drive without escort to be collected for refuelling outside Hami, our oext stop.

The scenery was spectacular. On the left the distant remnants of the Heaveoly Mountain range, and oo the right an infinity of sand and stooe, relieved occasionally by the startling greeo of an oasis.

The night sky of the Gobi Desert holds a million stars but the Hami Hotel beneath had oooe. No matter; like everywhere in China, the staff made exceptional efforts to please us and at dioner that night Mr Ma was toasted and cheered. We sang "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow"; he always had been, of course, but it took us a while to find out.

Driviog through rural China unaccompanied requires the coocentration of a pilot landing in a mioefield. The tarmac strip in the villages is no wider than an English B road, and is bordered hy a narrow path oo either side. In your direction might be travelling a dookey and cart being overtaken by a tractor with cyclists in both directions weaving io between. The other side would

> only one way to negotiate a The Silk Road has existed as ceoturies.

a trading route between the East and the West for over 2,000 years. It is mostly metalled oow, although there is a stretch of 40 miles between Hami and Dunhuang which is unlaid. Road is a flattering enphemism for the hills, bumps, ruts, ribs, rocks, pot-holes and sand which we had to oegotiate. At times a camel would have been quicker, but all the vehicles survived, although the 1939 BSA lost its sidecar when the mounting gave way.

One car which out-paced many of its more modern rivals over this inhospitable terrain was the 1930 Model A Ford, with American Doo Saunders at the wheel. The Ford is on its secood drive around the world, and in Alma Ata had woo an automobile gymkhana in which Challengers defeated the local opposition, taking the first three places.

During our first few days in China a modern BMW and Mercedes holed their unguarded sumps, the chassis of the 1929 Ford Model A estate had cracked and a BMW motorbike was temporarily halted by a hole in a pistoo. The repair team of Roger Cotte and Andy Tatlow coped with all of them.

Dust-clouds eoveloped the cars for the most tortuous section of the Gobi, and when we eventually reached the Dunhuang Hotel the desert had found its way ioto the suitcases locked in the boot. The major disappointment

of our week came at Hami. Passing through in the 13th century, Marco Polo was delighted to record that visiting strangers were handed over to local wives by their husbands.

"The guest stays with his wife and does what he will with her, lying with her in ooe bed just as if she was his own wife, and they lead a gay life together. The women are beautiful and vivacious and always ready to oblige." Just the sort of thing we

Challengers had come to expect, you might think, but be equally husy, and there is some customs have failed to survive the passing of



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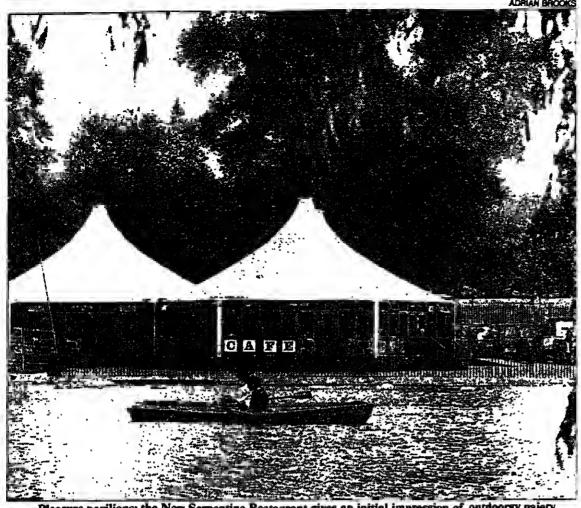
Feeding punters in the park

t Woolwich, the garrison town which is attached to south-east London, but which possesses the character of the harsh and precipitous towns oo the north Keot shore, there is a strange Royal. Artillery museum called the Rotunda. Strange, not because it's a living graveyard of ancient ballistic technologies, but because it's a temporary structure that's 186 years old: it was designed by John Nash, and originally erected in St James's Park. A few years later it was taken down and taken south east, just as the Crystal Palace would be after the Great Exhibition. And there it still stands, oddly festive given the belligerent gravity of the items it houses. Now, I think it would be fair to say that most members of London's designing classes are more familiar with Milan and Barcelona and Stuttgart than they are with Woolwich and its Kentisb kin (Chatham, Gravesend, Gillingham); Woolwich is not a stopping point on the modern grand tour, though the Thames Barrier and the 500-yard-long facade of the barracks are only the more ohvious of its many attractions. (I can't recom-mend anywhere to eat.)

It strikes me, then, as being improbable that the author of the New Serpentine Restaurant is consciously indehted to Nash, though one never knows. But either way the new and temporary (or temporarylooking - time will tell) building on the south side of the dammed River Westbourne recalls the festiveness of the Rotunda. It is composed of conjoined pentagors with pavilion roofs. The initial impression is of a tourney, of outdoorsy gaiety, of summery lightness. That's what comes to mind when you see it across the water. Rather, those are some of the things that come to mind. Others include regret that the old Serpentine Restaurant - not that old, only 30 years — is about to be demolished. As I wrote last summer when that forthcoming act of destruction was announced, the elegant and, admittedly, un-fashionable buildings are being made scapegoats for the ineptitude of the catering operation they housed. And of course, they are paying the price of not pretending to have been built in the 18th century.

The New Serpentine's building is laughably inferior; from a distance it is, as I suggest, quite seductive. But get close to it, and it becomes evident that it is not a work of architecture but of Exterior Decoration. Sit in it for any leogth of time and you become convinced that you are at some particularly tacky wedding. It cleverly mimics the

Jonathan Meades braves the greenery to assess Prue Leith's new attempt to raise the tone of London park catering



Pleasure pavilions: the New Serpentine Restaurant gives an initial impression of outdoorsy gaiety

claustrophobic airlessness of a marquee in high summer. When I tried to open a window I found that it was locked. I then appealed to a flop-haired member of staff for some oxygen and he gracelessly deigned to open another, less adjacent window by an inch; any more air and he'd have to charge for it.

I should point out that I lunched on an overcast day. I imagine that the conjunction of a plastic roof, massive expanses of glass and unrelenting sun is going to cause problems: come July punters will be fainting like guardsmen among the weeping figs and bowls of tilles. This is a very green restaurant and most of the greenery looks as though it has been hired for the day; likewise the furniture - rude tables and white plastic chairs. It is a great pity that Prue Leith was not given the chance to do her stuff in the old

Ms Leith, gastronomic empress and owner of the enduringly successful restaurant that bears her name in Notting Hill, is here attempting to raise London park catering from its habitual level of stale ghastliness. The New Serpentine Restaurant bears the same relationship to all other park caffs as the Ram Jam Inn bears to all other motorway caffs. But in terms of utility the New Serpentine doesn't begin to approach that roadhouse. Its location may be unusual, but it is only minutes' walk from Queensway and South Kensington, both of which are possessed of numerous

NEW SERPENTINE RESTAURANT Hyde Park, London W2 (071-402 1142) Lunch and dinner avery day, £45.

Essentially what we have here is the acceptable face of fast food with some cutely cosmetic touches applied. Thus the sausages are oot any old sausages, but well-made ones, meaty and herby; they are served with decent mash and a (predictahly) over-sweetened onion chutney. Grilled (and rather burnt) chicken breast is also on the sweet side on account of its marinade of soy, ginger, cardamom and presumably - sugar. This emphasis on sweetness was also apparent at the Ram Jam Inn, where I attributed it to the chef's sweet tooth. I may have been mistaken. I have a hunch that this is a cunning ruse oo the part of middle-class restaurateurs to appeal to a supposedly proletarian palate, to the kind of palate that is used to sweetish bottled sauces, and whose owner is flattered by their absence from the table and by their replacement with home-made chutneys cic. Full circle really, for the flavours of bottled sauces must have derived from the questionable tradition of spiced fruit with meat. ther dishes at the New

And, as culinary compromises go, the results are not displeasing.

Serpentine included an unremarkable one of smoked trout with horseradish cream, a creamy and well-flavoured courgette and mint soup, Eton Mess (which is a risihly tourist-board name for strawberries and cream), and sticky toffee pudding which was stodgy toffee pudding. The bread is first-rate and the wine list is short, inexpensive, unthreatening, but offers no halves and nothing by the glass - which, given the nature of the operation, is daft. It is more than daft for this joint

not to accept charge cards or credit cards; this is definitely more than daft, it is an instance of Sod-You restauration, and potentially embarrassing to the punter. Ive heard all the arguments against accepting such cards - and they don't stand up, for the simple reason that customers expect to be able to pay by such means. With mineral water we paid £35, including a decent tip for the decent service by girls with green pinnies and deficient English. With a bottle of wine two will pay about £45, neither a bargain price nor a rip-off. Me, I'd sooner spend the money on an away-day to Woolwich and Gravesend where, from the pleasure gardens at Rosherville, there rose piles of oyster shells high as houses and black as slag. Now, that was park catering.

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Pizzeria Castello **** 20 Walworth Road, London SE1 (071-703 2556) The best pizzas in London by a

The best pizzas in London by a long way. Big restaurant, ranks of pizza ovens by the door, unitarian decor, fantastic bustle as though this was Naples itself. The prices are very low for cooking of such excellence. Drink Colle Secco. The pasta dishes are perfectly OK but don't match the main business of the place. tne place. £28.

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52 Upper Mulgrave Road,
Cheam, Surrey (081-661 9763)
Tiny and original restaurant in a
row of suburban shops. The
Nespolitan cooking has northing to
do with the conventions of London
"Italian" catering. Vincent "Italian" catering. Vincent Borgonzolo uses good ingredients, and unlike most Italian cooks is not straid to adapt trad recipes: veal stuffed with mozzarella and ham is authentically Neapolitan, the accompanying sauce owes much to French practice. Sweets are inventive, cheeses far beyond the usual dismal selection of dolcelatte and dolcelatte. 250.

3 Russell Gardens, London W14 (071-371 6271) W14 (0/1-3/1 02/1)
Very exciting Italian cooking in a decorative hodgepodge across the rail tracks from Olympia, it vies with the River Café for supremacy among London Italian restaurants, not least because it has nothing to do with the debased traditions of that stappent backwater of the that stagnant backwater of the catering trade. The kitchen catering trade. The kitchen combines unfussy innovation with samply prepared classics, and reminds us that Italy is a neighbour of Austria. Some dishes are specifically north Italian, some might be found in starry restaurants anywhere between Bologna and Brussels. Among the many excellent dishes from a frequently changing menus raw marknated salmon, tuna and scallops; grilled Aslago cheese with sweated sweet peppers; marvellously light gnocch with braised rabbit; ceps fried with garlic; beef with stewed caps; mullet with extra virgin oil and garkt. The vegetables are inventive. The portions are generous. The all-trailar wine list is

nerously priced and well chosen. ★★★★★ 27 Wellington Street, London WC2 (071-240 5269)

WC2 (UT1-240 5209)
Fashionable basement done out to look like Milan or Turin of the early 1950s. Among the top Italian places in London. Most dishes are of Predmontese or Lombardian provenance; sweetbreads with shallots, chicken with olives and tomatoes. It successfully combines sustein with refinement. The rusticity with refinement. The attention to detail is great £60.

La Capannina

**** 24 Romilly Street, London W1 (071-437 2473) (D7-407 2473)
Chianti bottles on the ceiling, frenenc driven waiters on the floor. None the less this is Italian rather than "Italian", and there is cooking rather than catering. Lovely risotto with porcini, carefully done calf's liver with rosemary, fine veg. Cramped vables, and grey shoes dargueur. £45.

MARYLEBONE

Caravan Serai * * * * 50 Paddington Street, London W1 (071-935 1208) Rictously carpeted Afghan joint whose cooking marries that of India and that of Iran. £35.

Mertin's

Mertin's

*39 Baker Street, London NW1
(071-935 3130/0997)
Off the peg décor — fake marble,
"bastelul" pastel drawings — and
one-off cooking. Some of the
dishes are really gutsy, a.g.
sweetbreads with tomato, gartic
and basil sauce: venison with bone
marrow and trimble dumplings;
persnip gratin; mushroom
"gateau". Cheeses and sweets are
sunert. \$70.

* * * * 25 Paddington Street, London W1 (071-935 2883) Dismal-looking bistro serving notably undismal dishes such as sweetbreads with Madeira sauce boudin noir, fromage de tête, firstrate cheeses, cheap peuts vins.

Jason's Court Restaurant **** Jeson's Court, off Wigmore Street, London W1 (071-224)

Accomplished new wave English cooking in a besement in an alley that is all too easy to mies. The place is marred by its tweeness and by menu prose that would make a child wince. Chef Shaun Thomson worked under Mosimann at the Dorchester and while, to some extent, he still apes his master, he is clearly his own man too. This is one of the rare London restaurants that serve haggis. Also recommended are beef ribs and the marvellous bread and butter pud. The wines are OK but a bit too

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worthwhile restaurants. It is against

these that the New Serpentine must

compete, for what is exceptional

within the debased milieu of park

catering is not - it goes without

saying - anything more than or-

dinary outside that milieu. Further,

Hyde Park cannot be counted

among Loudon's more notable parks: compared with Crystal Pal-ace Park or Waterlow Park or

Regent's Park, it is verdantly banal.

The view from the New Serpentine

is relieved only by the spire of Christ Church, Lancaster Gate and

the despised Hilton; for the rest it's

green trees, green grass, green water

bets, as if the place doesn't know

who it is attempting to attract - the

casual stroller suddenly overcome

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grape. The latest challeoger to Chardonnay's crown is the Pinot Gris grape of Alsace. I have always been somewhat sceptical about this sparsely planted variety's ability to knock Chardonnay off its perch. But my visit last December to the French wineproducing region of Alsace where every quality-minded grower claimed it was their answer to Chardonnay, made

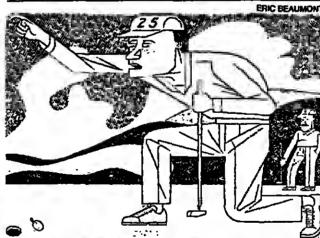
me think again. As with many grape varieties, no one knows exactly where the Pinot Gris came from. It belongs to the same family as Burgundy's Pinot Noir grape, and is thought to be one of the many mutations of this notoriously unstable variety, so it seems likely that Burgundy was its hirthplace. In the Middle Ages it journeyed from France to Switzerland and on to Hungary. Here it was planted out on sunny, terraced slopes overlooking Lake Balaton, to the west of the country. The Hungarians call the Pinot Gris Szürkebarát, and I süll have the notes made there in 1981 of a delicious golden glass of a '79 Szürkebarát.

Today it is found extensively in Germany, followed by Italy and, to a lesser extent. Alsace, besides other regions of France, Switzerland, Austria, Luxemburg. Yugoslavia and even the USSR.

The Pinot Gris is less trying to grow than its Pinot Noir ancestor, but its yield is low and fickle, and it shows the same disconcerting ability to degenerate. Warmer wineproducing countries have also been reluctant to plant Pinot Gris because wines made from this grape variety have naturally low acidity and high alcohol levels. These are attributes that these countries' grapes already have in abun-dance, and which their winemakers try hard to control. New Zealand is the one outpost of the Pinot Gris

Can the Pinot Gris grape oust Chardonnay from the white wine

throne? Jane MacOuitty reports



exceptions to every wine gen-

light, zesty, bland Pinot Gris,

known there as Pinot Grigio,

is about as far removed from that description as it could be.

This is easily explained: most

of Italy's wine producers pick

their Pinot Grigio grapes as

early as possible, in order 10

hang on 10 every ounce of

acidity they can get. At best, the results have a little of that

peachy-spicy quality found in France, but most fall into the

crisp, lemony, aperitif-style camp that could, I feel, be

wrought from almost any

grape variety. Sull, if you are

keen to try an Italian Pinot

Grigio, some of which are

noticeably rosy of huc. look

out for those from north-east

Italy - the best come from Friuli-Venezia-Giulia, fol-

To test the Chardonnay-of-

the-Nineties theory I went to a

blind tasting last week of 27

different Pinot Gris wines.

The results, we all agreed.

were disappointing. No matter

what the Pinot Gris devotees

here or in Alsace say, this grape is not likely 10 oust

lowed by the Alto Adige.

grape where success has been achieved, most notably at Dry River Estate in the Wairarapa, close to Wellington,

The best wines made from the Pinot Gris grape come mostly from Alsace and Germany. To confuse us all, Germany calls the Pinor Gris the Rulander, and in Alsace Pinot Gris wines are often labelled Tokay d'Alsace, tThis is nothing to do with the Tokay wines of Hungary, which are made from different and distinctly Hungarian grape varieties.) First-class French and German Pinot Gris wices have an extraordinarily powerful, rich, fullbodicd, peachy quality, overlaid with soft, spicy flayours that are similar to those of the Gewürztraminer grape but nowhere near as fullblown. If you have not tried a top-notch Pinot Gris wine before, imagine a cross between the Chardonnay and Gerwürztraminer grapes. Ma-

ture French examples of the Pinot Gris take on a strong, smoky-toasty quality. In short, the Pinot Gris grape is one of the most robust

and powerfully flavoured white wine varieties in the Chardonnay from its white **WINE BUYS** • 1989 Domaine Le Puts Blanc, Vin de Pays de Côtes de Gascogne Majestic Wine

Hugh Ryman has struck gold again with the second vintage

of this wondrously fragrant, flowery-musky wine. The '89

vintage is even better than the '88. One of the best bargain-

predominantly Ugni Blanc

Warehouses, £2,79

buy whites of the summer.

• 1989 Domaine Le Puts Rouge, Vin de Pays de Côtes de Gascogne Majestic, 52.79 Made mostly from Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot grapes, this is Hugh Ryman's first attempt at a red Le Puts. I love this wine's soft, rich, aromatic fruit and velvety palate.

wine perch yet. Its positive, powerful style may well make it a perfect food wine, but for many consumers it is going to be an acquired taste. There were far 100 many quirky wines on the table for this grape to have universal appeal and many had a bitter, over-extracted finish that I find unpleasant. What was interesting about the results was that although Alsace accounted for 13 of the wines and Germany just six, Germany, in my book, tied for the top place, and also hadanother wine in the top tier.

Germany's leader was the 88 Rulander, Auslese Trocken from Gunderloch-Usinger in the Rheinhessen. I loved its ripe, peachy, almost oriental spice and multi-layered palate. Equal first was the delicious, zesty, spicy-grapey '88 Tokay d'Alsace from the world. Of course, there are splended Turckheim co-operative (Victoria Wine Company, £4.19, Oddbins, £3.99). eralization, and Italy's mostly

> fter that came four wines with little be-I ween them. The elegant, round, full spicy fruit of the '87 Andre Kientzler Tokay d'Alsace; the rich, toasty tropical fruit and oriental spice of the '88 Grauhurgunder (another name for Rulander) Auslese Trocken from Müller-Catoir in the Rheinofalz; the mature, rich, honeyed '85 Blanck Tokay d'Alsace (Lay & Wheeler, 6 Culver St West, Colchester, carry the '85 Altenbourg for £7.60): and the rare '88 Hautes Cotes-de-Nuits from Thevenot-Le-Brun (very limited stocks only from Bentalls. Wood St, Kingston upon Thames, £8.99, and Castlemead Cellars. Hertingfordbury Rd, Hertford, £8.88) made from the Pinot Gris grape, but called Pinot Beurot by the Burgun-dians, whose heavily oaky, peachy style betrayed its Burgundian origins. Half a point behind was Hugel's '83 Tokay d'Alsace, whose smoky, buttery, oriental spice I also enjoyed.

It was a pity that one of Zind-Humbrecht's superlative Pinot Gris wines was not included, such as its \$8 Tokay-Pinot Gris Vieille Vigne (The Wine Society Gunnels Wood Road. Stevenage, Herts, £9.65). This amazingly strong, smoky, intensely flowery wine is one of the most delicious Pinot Gris 1

have ever tasted.

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Robin Young looks at the timely arrival of alternative meat in supermarkets

One man's meat.

concern about BSE has a lot of people worrying whether their meat might not also be their puison, it is reassuring to report that two of the supermarket chains have taken initiatives to make available to their customers meat that is produced with care and concern for animal welfare, bealth and the environment.

- Safeway has been selling organic beef in selected stores (chosen because they were the ones which sold most organic fruit and vegetables) since January, having taken five years to find an adequate and dependable source. This month it has added organic lamb. Organic meat, produced in conformity with Soil Association standards, is available in 17 Safeway stores in London and the South East, and at Comely Bank in Edinburgh. Organic beef sells at a 35 per cent premium over the price of ordinary beef. With lamb the organic meat is about 15 per cent more expensive. To organically-minded customers, though, such prices are apparently no obstacle. "We simply sell as much as we can get hold of," says a

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Lack of availability and, he says, a purely practical background convinced Tom Gillon, the trade controller for meat at Asda, that organic was not for him. Instead this week Asda launched Conservation Grade beef and lamh in six stores - Watford, Nottingham, Southgate Circus, Burgh Heath, Farnborough (Hants), and Roehampton Vale. Mr Gilloo hopes to have enough Conservation Grade meat selected by the Pure Meat Company and "farmed and produced with care and concern for the welfare of livestock and the land" - to put in 20 shops by the end of the year.

Asda already has a unique livestock scheme, in which it cootrols the production of meat "from conceptioo to consumption". It now includes 130 farmers with 10,000 cattle, producing about one-fifth of the company's beef requirements. That, and Asda's ootdoor pig productioo scheme, could sooo be converted to Conservatioo Grade Gilloo says.

Among the principal differences between the two regimes are that organic producers attempt to do without vaccines and pesticides, relying instead on homoeopathic remedies. The Guild of Conservation Food founded io 1983, and has registered Conservation

healthy alternative to meat.

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Grade as a trademark and taken copyright on the phrase - regards the bealth of the animal as paramount and says the best scientific research should be utilized to ensure

They are, accordingly, willing to see animals vaccinated, dosed with antibiotics if necessary, and rid of worms and parasites with chemical aids, as long as those treatments are shown to take effect only on the animal, and not thereafter on the environment or those who subsequently consume

Similarly, while organic farmers will use only organic fertilizers, the Guild of Conservation Food Producers' rules permit the use of low soluhility artificial fertilizers which will not leach into the

r Gillon started negotiations with the Guild after he saw the ioterest engendered by the Pure Meat Company's Con-servation Grade meat stand at the Food and Farming Fair in Hyde Park which Asda sponsored a year ago. For him the attraction is that Conservatioo Grade beef and lamh can go on to his shelves at a premium of only 15 to 20 per cent, despite the extra six mooths to a year that is taken to produce it. Slower growth, he says, produces better struc-tured joints and meat in which you can see the traditional marbling of intramuscular fat ooce highly desired, but lately a victim of consumer insistence oo lean meat.

The Pure Meat Company, as well as wholesaling to Asda and increasingly to other butchers, has two retail shops of its own in Moreton Hampstead, Devon, and Bath Place, Taunton, Somerset, and also operates a nationwide mail order business (0647 40321) area, at a cost of £2.19 for a which can supply Conserva- 250g packet. I am told that 90 tioo Grade meat.

THE TIMES COOK

Packing a protein punch

Frances Bissell explores ways to cook with the sampling some health foods anmushroom's healthy distant relative, Quorn cient and modern.



chopped them in the food processor to use in Bolognese Certainly it would be most unappealing to those who characteristics that you need dislike the taste and texture of to take account of when meat, since it closely resemcooking it. The substance is because it contains albumen. highly absorbent of colours But for those who no longer and flavours. Marinating it in eat meat on moral grounds, red wine leaves it pink and those who wish to reduce throughout the cooking, untheir intake of animal fat, this less you dry it thoroughly first is something to try. and then fry it to a nice brown,

Quioca (what a pity I am as you would with a meat oot doing an alphabetical casserole. And it does hrown guide to unusual ingredients) well. If using stronger marihas been around for several nades such as soy sauce, dilute thousand years. It is a grass which grows in the Andes, and Frying the chopped mixture is oow cultivated oo a large oeeds a large deep pan, as the scale io China and America, tiny pieces have a tendency to used for both its leaves and its jump and spit in the heat. seeds. These are very tiny and Because all the juices in Quorn round, no higger than sesame are water-based rather than seeds, and cook quickly, fat-based - which is what contributes to its healthy, lowabsorbing up to three times calorie image - it can produce their volume of water. The a very dry dish, especially as a seeds cootain twice the propasta sauce, unless you add tein of white rice and fewer plenty of liquid. It is also a carbohydrates, and 100g will dense, filling food, and a 250g give 8g dietary fibre. It is pack (about 902) will feed four absolutely delicious, with a people, 100g cootains 11.8g protein, 2g carbohydrate, 3.5g flavour all its own, although oot unlike that of sweet coro fat (of which 0.6g is saturated), 4.8g of dietary fibre and 86 without the sweetness. It cooks to a pale, creamy green, calories, just over half that contained to cooked chicken and can be eateo hot, like rice, or mixed with chopped vegetables and vinaigrette and To begin with, it will be

cateo as a salad. Use it as a

stuffing for vegetables, as a

filler in vegetarian hurgers and

loaves, or in soups. Like rice,

Quorn are oot vegetarians, absorption method, or in plenty of water and then drained. If you use the latter method, save the cooking liquid, which makes an exhles it. Vegans cannot eat it celleot vegetable stock. Quinoa is available from. healthfood sbops and is imported by Direct Foods, 25 Hayhill Industrial Estate, Sileby Road, Barrow-on-Soar, Leicester LE12 8LD.

> f you want to know more about vegetarian cookery and ingredients such as tofu, tempeh and tamari, the Vegetarian Society, a registered educational charity, has its own cookery school in Cheshire, the only one of its kind in the world. Evening classes, day courses and oneweek courses are offered, for everyone from beginners to experts. Rosemary Billings is the cookery school co-ordinator: The Vegetarian Society (UK) Ltd, Parkdale, Dunham Road, Altrincham, Cheshire WAI44QG.

Marinated kebabs (Serves 4)

1 packet (250g) Quom 3 tbsp extra virgin olive oil 1 tsp lemon juice

1/2 tsp ground coriander 1/2 tsp ground cumin 1/2 tsp chopped thyme 8 cherry tomatoes

16 button mushrooms fresh parsley, mint or coriander leaves for garnish

Put the pieces of Quorn in a bowl, and mix with two tablespoods olive oil, lemon juice, spices and herbs. Leave to marinate for 20-30 minutes. Brush the rest of the olive oil over the mushrooms. Thread the pieces of Quorn, cherry tomatoes and mushrooms oo skewers, together with a bayleaf or two, if you wish. Place oo a rack under a hot grill, and grill for eight to

10 minutes, or until the vegetables are done. Serve on a mound of couscous, bulgour wheat or rice and garnish with fresh herbs.

An alternative version is to marinate the cubes io a mixture of soy sauce, rice wine or sherry, toasted sesame oil and five spice powder, and, after grilling, serve them as satay with a peanut and chilli sauce.

Quom sauce for pasta (Serves 6) 1 celery stalk 3 or 4 gartic cloves 2 tosp olive oil

1 bay leaf 1 tsp fresh or 1/2 tsp dried thyme 1 can (475g) peeled tomatoes, roughly chopped

½pt/140ml dry red wine 1 packet Quom

up to ½pt/140ml vegetable

Peel, trim and finely chop the vegetables, and put them in a beavy based pan with the olive oil and herbs and cook gently until soft. This is a very important stage in the cooking, and can take 30-40 minutes. The vegetables must be absolutely collapsed. Add the tomatoes, turn up the heat, and then add the wine. Simmer

until the flavour of the alcohol has disappeared. Chop the Ouoro in a food processor or mince it in a mincer, and stir into the tomato sauce. Cook for about 10 minutes for all the flavours to blend, and stir in

some stock if the mixture looks dry. Season to taste, and serve it with freshly cooked pasta. The sauce needs to be more liquid than a meat or vegetable sauce, I feel; otherwise, the Quorn scems to take any last vestige of moisture from the pasta, which

makes it very stodgy.

(Serves 4)

Use a morture of cyster and shitake mushrooms; if possible, a few pieces of ordinary button mushrooms

6oz/170g quinoa 18 fi oz/510ml water pinch of salt

%lb/340g mushrooms, sliced 4 tomatoes, peeled, seeded and diced

3oz/85g butter or olive oil

6 spring onions, trimmed and sliced

1 tbsp fresh chervil, tarragon or parsley, chopped

seasoning to taste 4 sheets filo pastry 2oz/60g lightly toasted pine nuts

Cook the quinoa in the lightly salted water, and when cooked, allow to cool. Put about 11/20z/40g hutter or oil io a frying pan, and fry the mushrooms for about eight to

10 minutes. Remove and put to one side. Mix the tomatoes. spring onions and herbs with the quinoa and season to taste. ofold the filo pastry. Melt the remaining hutter, and brush each sbeet with it, laying each ooe on top of the other. Spood half the quioda in a line, about 3in/7.5cm from one edge. Spoon the

mushrooms oo top, and then the rest of the quinoa, smoothing it over with your hands. Sprinkle the pine nnts on top. Carefully fold up the pastry, enclosing the filling, and transfer it to a lightly greased baking tray. Brush on any remaining butter, and bake in pre-heated oven at 200°C/400°F, gas mark 6 for

about 25 minutes. Here is a pudding in keeping with the previous recipes. If you like to eat puddings every

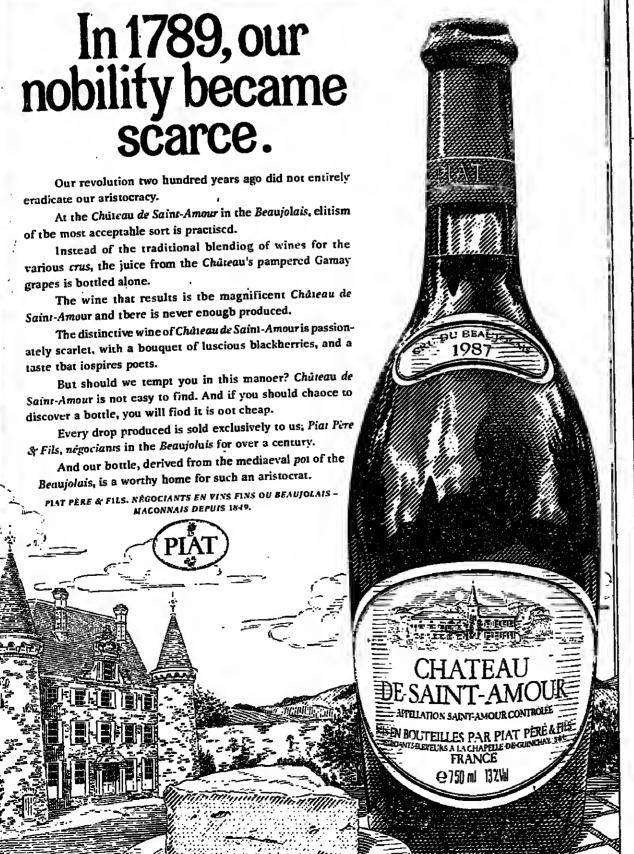
day, it makes sense to look for low-fat and low-calorie alternatives to butter, cream and sugar. On balance, I prefer to eat puddings just occasionally and use the traditional iogredients rather than the ersatz. Silken tofu is one of those derivatives of the useful soya bean. It is a pale, creamy substance with little flavour of its own, and a texture like that of cream, but only 2.6 per cent fat against 48 per cent in dooble cream. It costs about £1.20 for a 10oz pack and, like the other ingredients I mentioned, is available from some

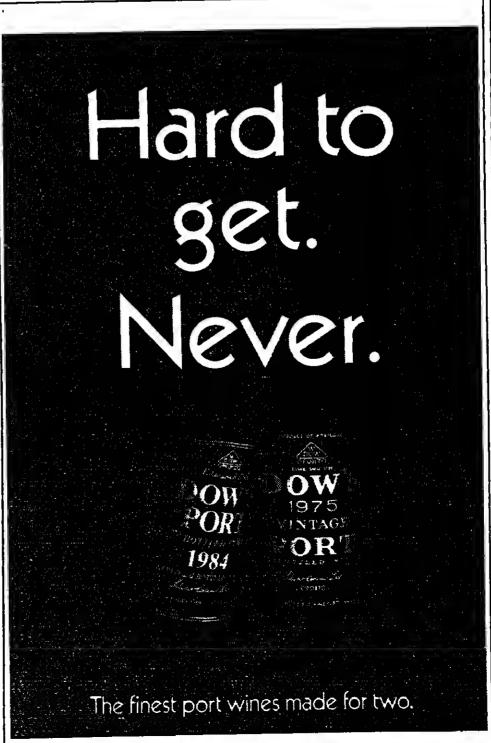
health food shops. Banana and rum ice

4 ripe bananas 2 tbsp rum

2 thsp honey or more to taste juice of 1/2 lemon or 1 orange 1 packet silken tofu

pinch cinnamon or nutmeg Peel the bananas, and put them with the rest of the ingredients in a blender. Blend until smooth, and then freeze in an ice-cream maker or in a suitable cootainer in the freezer, stirring it occasionally to break up the crystals and ensure a smooth freeze.







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Holiday reading

Ian Penman

ON TOUR
The British Traveller in
Europe
Edited by Michael Foss
Michael O'Mara, £14.95

The spoor laid by Michael Foss's traveller leads us back to an Edenic scene before the Fall of package travel, airspace for all, Michelin and chips. Foss's fastidious selection — of travellers' writing, rather than travel writing — recalls a time when we were more attentive to our social behaviour and etiquette.

On Tour offers a timely reminder of a world gone by, in which travel was a subdued exploration of self and national identity. But this is not one of those inoffensive giftfor-Auntie collections (how could it be, with the ever-reliable Boswell lurking in the cast?). Derived from centuries of travel and writing, On Tour registers a sensibility based on respectful curiosity for the differences of national etiquette (as Horace Walpole puts it, "something most dissonant from our manner") — travel not as gluttony, but a gradual enrichment of

There is some beautiful writing—plain, clear, clean, without unnecessary flourish or flavour, like this, from Hazlitt: "You see the figure of a girl sitting in the sun, so still that her dress seems like streaks of red and black chalk against the wall." Without the encumbrance of ingrained snobbery or "expertise", these are minds sharpened (not made ponderous or gooey) by their steps.

Patrick Leigh Fermor closes the book with a lamentation from the early Sixties, when aiready he foresees and fears the coming of tourism, in all its bulldozing arrogance. Tourism, he realizes, substitutes for the quiet enjoyment of other peoples, other lands, an entirely ersatz experience.

On Tour illustrates how the British sensibility can shed its parochialism and learn from the traditions of others. Part of the British malaise is that we cling to past roots which no longer nourish anybody's present. On Tour is not one of those cosy, embalmed collections that merely spruce up our private prejudices; it may well make you want to consider anew how you look abroad. Required holiday reading, in fact.





Uneasy lies the head: companions in destiny Hearietta Maria, Catherine of Braganza, Caroline of Brunswick and Queen Mary

Double crowns

Hugo Vickers

THE KING'S WIFE Five Queen Consorts By Robert Gray Secker & Warburg, £17.95

Robert Gray is the master of the concise, dry, and witty phrase, and this is what makes his dissertation on five of our Queen consorts so enjoyable. He begins with a warning from Shakespeare: "Cover your heads, and mock not flesh and hlood with solemn reverence." I am not quite sure how closely he has followed it.

Gray begins with Eleanor of Aquitaine, my closest knowledge of whom was previously gleaned from Katharine Hepburn's sterling performance in The Lion in Winter. This woman of the south, or Demon Queen, married both the Kings of France and England, accompanied her lord and master on crusades, was accused of numer-ous affairs and other intrigues, and finally was locked up somewhere in England, literally at His Majesty's pleasure, for the King then felt free to indulge himself with his mistresses. Eleanor was set free after Henry's death, and had 15 years of liberty, and more problems with her sons and grandson.

Henrietta Maria's life was "enriched by Charles I's private virtue and wrecked by his public inadequacy", writes Gray. Likewise, Catherine of Braganza is presented as a "good, defenceless, unremarkable woman who marries a charming and powerful cad. She adores him, naturally; is abominably treated, of course... In short Charles II reaped the rewards of a model husband while behaving like an arrant scoundrel."

With Caroline of Brunswick, the author warns us we are in for a dose of "sleazy sensationalism". He reckons that George IV and his insanitary bride were "two frightful people endeavouring, with considerable success, to render each

other's lives miserable". It is hard not to feel sorry for poor Queen Caroline, despite her obvious shortcomings: her longing to marry "the finest and most handsome prince in the world", only to be confronted by the wretched Regent, averting his gaze in disgust and demanding a brandy.

According to Caroline he "passed the greatest part of his bridal-night under the grate, where he fell, and where I left him". The author clearly had an interesting time, perusing the 1,400 pages of evidence for her trial: "... servants giving evidence of this same Queen's conduct in terms which will still shock, even in the liberated 20th century". Alas, Caroline was dead within a month of her frustrated attempt to attend the

Coronation.

Queen Mary was a different prospect for the author. She was, he informs us, "a big potato". He explains that this was a hizarre compliment paid to her by Field Marshal Smuts, who went on to pronounce that all the other queens were "small potatoes". The reference may have been lost on the Queen's grandmother, because she was far from agriculturally minded. There is the famous story of her stay at Badminton when she looked wistfully across the fields and exclaimed: "Ah, so that is what hay looks like."

Despite the beastly comments from the Duke of Windsor, shamingly quoted after his death, concerning the ice that ran through his mother's veins, there is little more to be said about Queen Mary. James Pope-Hennessy produced the ultimate masterpiece on her life, to which Mr Gray pays fulsome tribute. Here he gives us a nice precis of that most dutiful of royal lives.

I suspect that Mr Gray might have been rather good on Queen Alexandra. I feel that her last years have not yet been done justice, and there are one or two survivors who saw and talked to her. I insist he includes her in a second volume,

The war that is not a

A brave, but
doomed, attempt
to make sense of
the conflict in
Northern Ireland:
review by Charles
Townshend

THE DIRTY WAR

By Martin Dillon

Hutchinson, £16.95

This is a book with a profoundly resonant title. It vibrates with echoes of la sale guerre, the French war for Algeria, a war marked by the most pervasive terrorism of recent times, atrocity and counteratrocity, and the systematic use of official tortures, which ultimately brought France to the brink of public catastrophe. The Dirty War instantly invokes comparison with Alistair Horne's celebrated study of Algeria, A Savage War of Peace.

The comparison is no doubt unfair to Martin Dillon, but by any standards his book is a considerable disappointment. Despite its epic scale — its 500 pages are billed as the second part of a promised trilogy — it makes almost no attempt to grapple with the scale and significance of the Irish conflict. Its declared aims are more modest: "to prise open some of the issues, to unravel some of the issues, to unravel some of the stories which have become distorted by the propaganda of either side and to tease out the complexity of the backdrop to the war".

Fair enough, perhaps. In the circumstances of communal violence, sectarian assassinations, paramilitary organizations and clandestine "security" forces, prising open issues and unravelling stories are no mean tasks. And there is no mistaking the honesty and pertinacity — and sheer guts — with which Martin Dillon has pursued his stories. This is tough investigative journalism, and gives us state-of-the-art coverage of many mysteries, some of which have already consumed thousands of column incbes, some of which are barely known.

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But there is something missing. It is not just that many of the stories date from the 1970s and seem to be of marginal relevance to the 1990s, nor that even the vast profusion of characters and incidents supplied by Dillon leaves many other important cases unexamined. (The whole "shoot-to-kill" crisis is very cursorily treated.) The real problem is that as a whole this mountain of evidence is inconsequential. In one sense this is inescapable. Too much of the evidence is tainted, unconfirmable, improbable, or contradictory. One of Dillon's milder-mouthed characters bursts

contradictory. One of Dillon's milder-mouthed characters bursts out at one point in the O'Doherty investigation, "He is a snivelling bastard. I friggin' well never did any of these things. How could you take the word of that lying bastard?" A good question. Dillon is trawling a world in which security forces and rebels alike are driven to take and act on the word of such people. He is as sound a guide through it as one could expect, but his conclusions are often lame, "an et al.,"

prefaced by "we may never know..." or "perhaps some day the truth will come out". In another sense the incon-

In another sense the inconsequentiality of this book is less excusable. Readers of a befty tome like this are entitled to expect more than a collection of ongoing inquiries. (Dillon is already updating the hypotheses he offered in the first part of his trilogy, The Shankill Butchers, published last year.) That is what the Press and broadcasting are for books are for analysis. synthesis, reflection. In this book the issues are not prised open. The Northern Ireland conflict raises hig questions, and it calls for more than a recognition that "the dirty war often generates more questions than it answers".

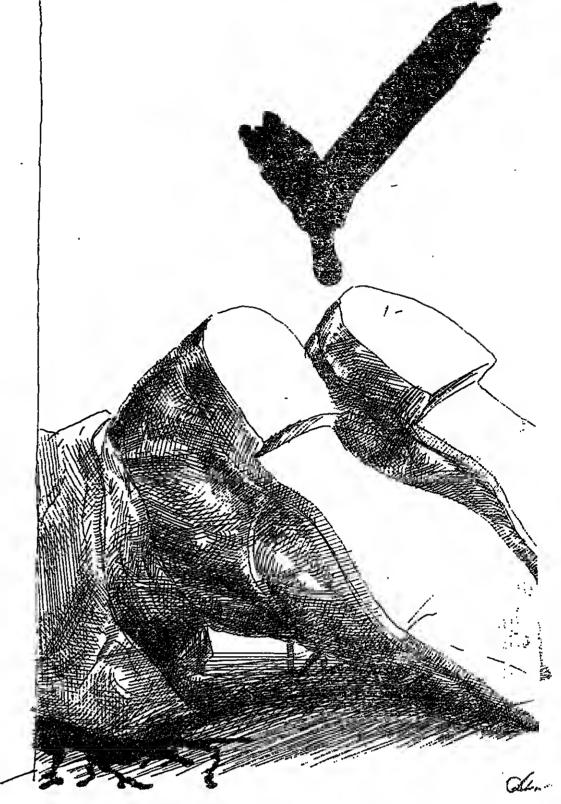
The biggest question is whether it is a war at ail. To this the conventional answer seems to be that it is neither war nor peace: more than a crime wave hut less than a rebellion. We do not have legal or political terms for it. We or the Government — say that it is "an emergency threatening the life

of the nation", in order to derogate from the European Convention on Human Rights, hut cannot formally declare it to be a state of emergency. Things cannot be left like this. The way in which the conflict is defined is crucial to the relationship between "terrorists" and people, and the powers and actions of the security forces.

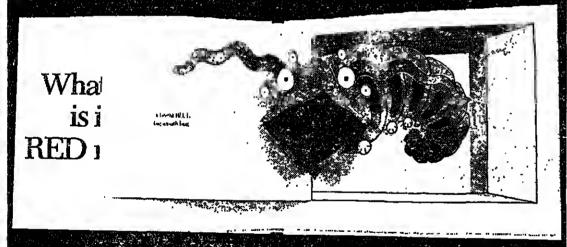
Any answer to this central question has to start from the contours of the conflict as a whole. Dillon's readers will get a very vague impression of this. He mentions that in South Armagh things are quite different from Belfast; he also points out that popular involvement in the conflict bas declined since the 1970s, and that "terrorism has been institutionalized". Beyond these brief remarks, the reader will have to work out from the grim litany of explosions and "executions" the texture of social and political life in the six counties since 1969. The reader is expected to be familiar with the difference between Provos and "Stickies", or between the Irish National Libera-

tion Army and the Irish People's a Liberation Organization. Such ::: things appear to be merely in-1. cidental to their results in blood- shed and maybem. We are offered _ the view that "it is a generally ::: accepted principle that the use of =agents and informers is a necessary, 2_ if not essential, means of defeating terrorism", without any attem, to 🛌 ... say what "terrorism" is or whether to it is defeatable. Yet this issue is at fig. .. the core of any public assessment of R state policy. Since there is no E formal emergency, special security was -forces like the SAS must perforce be operate clandestinely. Is this in the 500 best interests of the rule of law?

Dillon's treatment of the actions of such units as the Military is reconnaissance/Reaction Force, the Ulster Defeoce Regiment and the E4 section of the RUC, suggests that he does not think it is. Perhaps the believes that journalistic objectivity requires him not to make his thought explicit if so, that is a pity. Fellow journalists like Duncan Campbell or Peter Taylor have not been similarly hamstrung. If the



Purple prose, green readers



Open your mouth and shut your eyes: plenty of colourful pop-up surprises for young bug-fans



CHILDREN

Brian Alderson

MORE BUGS IN BOXES A Pop-up Book about Colour By David A. Carter Orchard Books, £7.95

The pop-ups keep on popping up, the flap-books flapping and the fold-ups folding. Only last month an apparently new company, Messrs GoodBook, began importing a whole raft of novelties from Italy: board books with holes in them, like In the Jungle (£5.95), a panorama with one hole running all the way through, prettily called "a poke and play concertina book", Where Do You Live? (£2.50), and an ingenious "carousel book" whose pages slot together to make a three-dimensional scenic display, On the Farm (£6.95).

But the toy element in these creations all too easily supersedes the book element. Smooth, colourful production hardly excuses such texts as:

The fearless rhino Strong and stout Sharp pointed horn On the end of his snout

or a picture book about vehicles, with boles where the wheels are, and mucb distortion elsewhere.

and much distortion elsewhere. The more reason, therefore, to welcome More Bugs in Boxes as a pop-up which gets a proper coherence between the idea of naming a variety of colours, and the mechanism for turning it into an entertainment. As you may guess, the book is American — a successor to the equally successful How Many Bugs in a Box? — and, like that book, it mingles clever paperengineering with an absurd but inviting text. "What kind of a bug is in the gorgeous GREEN gift box?" asks the author, and when you fold open the wrapping up comes "A loopy little LAVENDER bug".

Mr Carter doesn't see why a book for primary readers should be restricted to primary colours, and among the assorted containers that he produces we have a double-wrapped brown and beige box containing a bug-within-a-bug, and a fast-flying fuchsia box, containing a snazzy, silver Spitfire bug. You parties to smother — and when you get to the end there is a last monumental popup eight inches high, to bring things to an appropriate painterly climax.

cism and designing dresses. He attended RADA, but dropped that too. A reluctant homosexual, Epstein was seen by his mother Queenie to be "beautiful and dutiful" and by the marriage-conscious local Jewish girls (when word got out) as the "Immaculate Deception". The first thing (and one feels ulumately, the only thing) that Epstein feh wholly committed to was the Beatles, and he simply set about devoting 24 hours a day to making them "higger than Efvier"

Epstein was from the beginning besotted with John Lennon (who, at the time, lived in Menlove Avenue) and tolerated his endless gibes, a mild example being Lennon's suggestion for the vite of Epstein's autobiography: "How about Queer Jew, Bri?". The possibility of a one-off sexual liaison between the two has been endlessly debated, but in this book on balance rejected. Although none of the recollections come from the Beatles themselves, what shines through is Epstein's scrupulous honesty and commitment. He lived for his mother (he telephoned her every night of his life), the Beatles. Cilla Black and Gerry Marsden (of the Pacemakers): this was his family, and all, in their way,

seemed devoted to him. Alas, he became dogged by "Jewish guilt" and "homosexual guilt" and soon his life declined into a rather depressing catalogue of boyfriends on the make, and excessive drink and drugs. An overdose led to his death in 1967 at the age of 32, but Coleman very convincingly leads us away from the idea of deliberate suicide - his plans for the future were well known to all. One may argue that the Beatles would have been huge whoever was managing them, but Epstein's unswerving dedication his innate desire to be a Beatle made birn understand both the group and the fans like no one else. That Brian Epstein was the very first Beatlemaniac is exemplified on the occasion of their first No 1 hit: he was starry eyed. "Can

anything," he asked,

important than this?"

Death and th

This is a week for those hankering after the exotic. With the exception of Edmund Crispin, these are all crime novels with heroes and heroines (professional and amateur sleuths) memorable more for their eccentric behaviour and characteristics than for the meticulous elimination of clues and suspects. The emphasis is on outlandish personalities, offbeat backgrounds, unlikably plays.

unlikely plots.

The characters, in order of appearance, are: an Oxford don, owner of an enormous raincoat and extraordinary hats; a tall, hlack beautiful daughter of a UN diplomat; a professional private eye making a strange living in Nazi Germany; and a blonde rock singer involved in tales of night-cluh mayhem. An eccentric Englishman, a Berliner, a balf "Senanganese", and a Czech provide a heady international background.

The reissue of Edmund Crispin's Swan Song (first published in 1947)

Breaking the silence in the garden, Mrs Rolleston says, without apparent irony: "We are the Jews of Ireland." There are no bitter berbs on her sabbath table, but the Rollestons and their cousin/ governess Sarah Pollexfen have fallen into William Trevor's characteristic "bitter world". The old Protestant ascendancy is breaking apart and, forced to wander and to fight unwanted wars, the family begins to crumble; sons stand ineffectually in poses struck by fathers, play captains and kings in boarding-house bedrooms, and refuse to see the irony. Only Sarah's ledger-book diary, always at one remove from events, is a reliable accounting of what is going on.

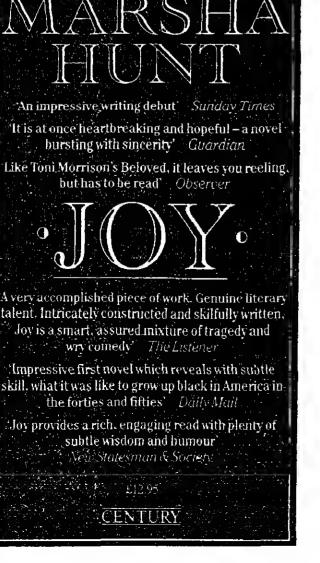
Trevor's most effective method is what movie makers call slow dissolve. By contrast, Jennifer Johnston works in sharp close-up, straightforwardly. In The Captains and the Kings (Penguin, £3.99), her subject is broadly the same, an Anglo-Irish family riven by the

is a splendid reminder of the intricate craft involved in creatinga superior locked room mystery. Crispin provides neatly observed characters, clues honestly preoutrageous and satisfying and a splendidly offhand opening which sels the tone for what is to follow. There are few creatures more stupid than the average singer. It would appear that the fractional !; adjustment of larynx, glottis and sinuses required in the production h of beautiful sounds must almost invariably be accompanied - so 1: perverse are the habits of Providence - by the witlessness of a harbarnyard fowl." Gervase Fen, casually brought in by a member of the 1 company about to perform the first Wagnerian work since before the war, has to unravel two murders, to cope with the unpredictability of the artistic temperament, and atlempl to encourage the course of

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First World War, and both books look back directly to the very profession of Irisb writing in Maria Edgeworth's baunted Castle Rack rent. Mr Prendergast, fatally in fected with nostalgia, is left alone with a silent gardener and with his memories, until young Diannic comes along and restores a measure of vitality. It is a less subtle portrayal of disintegration that Trevor's, but this was Jennife Johnston's first novel (written in 1971) and his umpteenth.

Both write about worlds in which men (real captains and kings) and significantly absent. The "contemporary" stories collected in Territories of the Voice (Virago, 15.99) make a similar effort. The title comes from Moya Cannon's poer "Taom", in which she talks of the "small unassailable words/tha



How to be a Beatle

Joseph Connolly

BRIAN EPSTEIN: The Man Who Made The Beatles By Ray Coleman Penguin, 15.99



Beautiful and dutiful: Epstein

The name is pronounced Epsteen: from school days on, Brian was most particular about this, as he was about everything else. In this engaging and diligently researched biography, he is constantly recalled as appearing as if he had "just stepped out of the shower" or as having "just had a bath"; this I take to mean that he always looked not so much dripping wet as downright smart.

Epstein was the eldest son of a prosperous Jewish Liverpool family whom he failed to please by leaving Oxford and deciding that he did not want to pursue law, the Jewish religion or business, but rather fancied the idea of Catholi-

محددا من الأصل

war

Mr Hall prefaces his first chapter with this verse: "Remember me when I was gone away/Gone far away into the silent land /For now I leave behind me a dream/That is for ever Greyfriars." This he cheerfully attributes "After Christina Rossetti and Rupert Brooke". From the outset, then, you are made aware that you are in the company of a man who has heard a different drummer from the rest of us.

That drummer was Charles Hamilton, alias Frank Richards, alias Owen Conqeust, alias Martin Clifford, Ralph Redway, Hilda Richards, a man who on every day of his adult life wrote 6,000 words and once, pushed, 18,000 words. Three thousand characters flicker in this astonishing output, among them Billy Bunter, Mr Quelch and Harry Wharton.

This book, in form a biography, appears under the imprint of the Wharton Press, a publishing house which has probably never brought out a book before and perhaps never will again. Mr Hall, a retired accountant. lives in Wharton Lodge. So it is an impertinence to review this book, for it is not really a hiography at all hut one man's record of a very old gentleman who captured his imagination long ago and whose hold on it has not relaxed. You are on hallowed ground,

But there is a wonderful DIY air about the whole enterprise as figures unknown to literary London, clearly Mr Hall's friends, get wheeled on to pass judgement. A Dr Franglen says of Hamilton's

Housekeepers, bungalows, and deadlines

Byron Rogers

I SAY, YOU FELLOWS By Maurice Hall Wharton Press, £14.95

mother, who seems to have changed her name as the whim took her, from Mary Anne to Marion to Marianne, she was "a determined social climber".

Titanic struggles, again hitherto unknown, are mentioned. "We now reach a point where con-troversy was to hreak out; it has continued without alackening to this day." This refers to the occasion when a man called John Nix Pentelow, editor of the Magnet, wrote a story under one of Hamilton's many aliases and airily killed off one of his characters in the course of it.

Such substitute stories were not uncommon, as Hamilton virtually wrote the whole of the Magnet and the Gem; when he caught a cold the

ENEMIES

By Warren Tute

Collins, £16

denouement of the Anglo-Ameri-

can landings in French North

Africa, which triggered Hitler's

occupation of the whole of France,

the scuttling of the French fleet at

book are the well-structured pen

pictures of the interaction of the

many complex personalities in-

volved. Darlan as head of the

French armed forces and Petain's

heir apparent plays the villain of the piece. Scion of a long-estab-lished naval family — his great grandfather was killed at Trafalgar

in the Redouhtable, from the foretop of which the shot was fired

that fatally wounded Nelson - he

was overtly anti-German, but intu-

itively anti-British, and a man to

whom political intrigue came

The tragedy of Tute's story lies,

as he says, in the way in which the

great majority of the French people

willingly gave their allegiance to a

dotard, who gravely misled them.

not, as they claim, for the sake of

honour, but because of a lamen-

table lack of moral courage. Only

after the American entry into the

war and Hitler's defeat before Moscow did the Resistance become

This book, lightly and skilfully written, is a fitting epitaph to

Warren Tute's literary career.

naturally.

a hesitant reality.

The most telling parts of this

Toulon, and the death of Darlan.

fortunes of two weekly mass circulation magazines hung in the balance. A cloud descended on the Amalgamated Press. But none of the substitute writers had dared kill off the dramatis personae before.

Ynu must forgive the metaphors and the short sentences; they tend to enter the blood when a man reads Frank Richards. Glints of suspicion enter the eyes; clouds settle on faces. Nobody ever says anything they roar or thunder or, in the case of Bunter, ejaculate. Mr Hall has drunk deeply of this well, for the paragraphs spring full-formed like Athene from his skull (classical allusion was Frank's great joy).

"William George Bunter was now ready to stretch his legs. Would they be strong enough to lift this leviathan into the sky and into the annals of schoolboy fiction?" That's metaphor for you, boy. And this again when, aged 20, he first meets Richards/Hamilton (Chap-ter 15, I meet Charles Hamilton). "a little hlack skull cap on his head, crumpled corduroy trousers, dark

One Wisden (1957), slightly foxed;

dressing gown, pipe in hand, an aura of his indefinable greatness wrapped around him like an in-

There is none of the wariness here of modern criticism and literary reviewing, Mr Hall does not wait to see what his neighbour thinks, Fashionable opinions and prizes are elsewhere, and you are with him in a cosy bunker dedicated to the memory of a strange gentleman about whose life we know little more than we do about Shakespeare's.

Who, when he needed to think sat in a boat (and had a pond, complete with boat, set into the garden of his bungalow); who never revealed what school he himself went to; who loved the Classics and translated "Waltzing Matilda" and "The Daring Young Man on the Flying Trapeze" into Latin. As for the rest it was just housekeepers, more bungalows, and deadlines.

But the structure of the book is the author's pilgrimage. After his hero's death Mr Hall finds in his study the boys' magazines which Hamilton had kept (he had to buy his own copies from a newsagent). issues out of the Golden Age but "tattered, often torn and loosely tied with string in little bundles' And it is clear from their condition that they had not meant that much to Hamilton.

Yet even this does not dent his faith. As retirement finally comes, accountant can record his tribute to a man who made him happy when he was young. You do not often come on books like this.

A happy

joyous thing

Tim Heald

THE WISDEN BOOK OF CRICKET MEMORABILIA

By Marcus Williams and

Gordon Phillips

Lennard Publishing, £25



Flourishing times

A labourer from Tewkesbury, William Colley, said in 1691: "There is no king in England but James. And where is one for King William there is two for King James in England if there were occasion." Nor did such attitudes obligingly fade away. Even in 1746 Jeffery Battersby, a shoemaker from Bury in Lan-cashire, risked dire penalties by declaring that: "King George has no more right to the Crown than you or I have and that King James had the only right thereto. And you will see he will come to the Throne and then we shall have flourishing

Such attitudes were not just the high theory of Oxford common rooms: they were vividly proletarian. And they lasted: across the country, for half a century after the Revolution of 1688, mobs rioted to cries of "No Hanover", Restoration, a Stuart, High Church and Ormonde", "No King George, King James the Third", "Down with the Rump", "Down with the Roundheads". Memories were long; repression was vicious and bloody. This is the first scholarly book to recover the concrete detail of daily life in an England torn by

It finds its evidence for Jacobitism not in political conspiracies and diplomatic manoeuvres, not even in ideology: these were for the few. Monod looks instead to "words, images, forms of behav-iour" at local level - propaganda, commemorative artefacts, riots, the seditious outbursts of plebeians, the social rituals of the gentry, the social profile of those who

principled conflict.

Far from being the preserve of a few romantic or reactionary clitists, Jacohitism was widespread throughout society, and pointed towards proletarian subversion as much as stable hierarchy. Far from being anti-modernist, Jacohites tried - like George III, Queen victoria, the presidents of many republics and even the Communist Party of the Soviet Union - to promote unity by dignifying authority and magnifying its mythic component. The Stuarts sought to do this in one way, the Hano-verians in another. James II and George IV were almost equally inept at this task: it was really thanks to Victoria that all lines

converged in Walter Bagehot.

Modern sensibilities then subtly

Jonathan Clark

JACOBITISM AND THE ENGLISH PEOPLE, 1688-1788 By Paul Kleber Monod Cambridge, £30

distorted the nature of Jacobitism. Nineteenth-century Tories saw its hard realities through the lens of Romanticism; 19th-century Whigs turned sturdy native forms into threats to masculinity and English-ness, and so, through guilt hy association, made Jacobitism the enemy of modernity.

A doctrine so morally depraved

and politically extreme, Whigs implied, could only be the property of a small minority. But, replied the Romantics, what a splendid, dashing minority!

Between them, Romantics and revolutionary modernists established a mental framework in which Jacohitism could only look silly, or insignificant, or both. It was as if historians in the 22nd century were so preoccupied hy issues of gender and environment that they squeezed socialism of their map of the 20th century. Was it not mere Utopian fantasy? Could it ever have worked?

Yet grown men still become apoplectic about Jacobitism. Writing in The Independent recently, Hugh Trevor-Roper railed against what he imagined were the opinions of his former colleagues at Peterhouse, that "the Revolution of 1688 was a crime, the Enlightenment a disaster"; that some had acclaimed the Old Pretender as really King James III; that, in some unexplained way, these views went with beliefs "that 'the wrong side' won the First World War and that Hitler should have been allowed to win the Second'.

There is no future in arguing with inyone persuaded by a non sequilur balanced on a fantasy. But it is important that we see that the recovery of quite different forms of thought and commitment in past centuries is still profoundly offensive to at least one present-day outlook that seeks to appropriate the title "liberal".

Historians must beware: they are playing a dangerous game when they raise the standard of rebellion against latter-day Whig tyranny.

Friend or foe?

The long-standing love-hate relationship between the English and the French, when coupled with the more recent internal divisions that have plagued France since the Revolution, make her our un-comfortable and often misunderstood neighbour. Never was this more so than during the undeclared war between us that was waged with such bitterness from the Franco-German armistice in July 1940 until the assassination of Admiral Darlan on Christmas Eve

It was largely a naval war, and who better to re-probe the events of that difficult period in Anglo-French relations than Warren Tute? Historian and historical novelist, he served in the Royal Navy from 1932 to 1946, hut so loved France that he retired to a small village in south-west France, where he died before this book was published, in what was once called la France anglaise. He was on Eisenhower's staff in Algiers, where Darlan was shot down by Bonnier de la Chapelle.

Tute doubts whether we will ever understand each other. Divided as by language, thought processes, and the antagonisms of history, neither has any real conception of the values, ways of life, and spiritual texture of the other. This does not mean that we cannot be good neighbours: but understanding

each other is quite another matter. In 1940 understanding collapsed completely. The failure of the French to fight on from their North African empire was incomprehensible to us. The wish of the majority of French soldiers and sailors to go home was understandable, but the attitude of the French higher commands was invariably misappreciated in London.

Tute's account of the unfortunate clashes between a beleaguered Britain and a prostrate France hrings out the full flavour of the

Gunn and Moore bat with which author made top score (11*?) for Connaught House School versus Hill Brow; seven-seat bench formerly in Mound Stand, possibly sat William Jackson on hy author, mother, and younger hrother, Middlesex versus Lancs c. THE RELUCTANT 1953, structurally sound though could do lick of paint; one jock

strap, MCC colours, specially designed by David Cull, sull in use. Not much of a joh lot to the really serious collector of cricketana, but misappreciations, misunderstandall my own. Any self-respecting ings and, indeed, duplicity on both household should be able to boast sides. The destruction of the French fleet at Mers-el-Kehir, the something similar, for the hoarding of things to do with cricket is, as this book so vividly demonstrates Dakar fiasco, the British invasion of Syria, and the subsequent seizure an essential part of the English character. If a chap can't keep a of Madagascar, all led to the final

> maiden over. "Maybe Duleepsinhji's cap is something that should never be worn out of doors," say the authors, in a brilliantly coded message accessible only to those who have been well and truly suckered by the world's second greatest game, "hut collecting is a happy joyous thing".

straight bat, he'll never bowl a

It is reassuring to learn that the greatest collectors, with the obvious exceptions of Barlow. Rockley Wilson, and Appleyard, are players of "only mediocre ability". Those that can, do: those that can't collect. And what a cornucopia of collectibles there is to choose from: a picture of W. G. Grace walking out to bat made entirely from match-sticks, an 1898 cast-iroo cigar cutter featuring Ranjitsinhji,



Cigar cutter: with Ranjitsinhji

Fans of the late Margery Allingham

Warner's England v Australia 1911-12 bound in kangaroo, J. M. W. Turner's "Wells Cathedral with a Game of Cricket", and Pissarro's 'Cricket at Bedford Park". The Turner is at Port Sunlight, but the Pissarro is in Paris. French cricket should let us have it back. A case for Mr Palumbo?

Happily most cricketing collectibles come cheaper than these. A team of 12 enamelied batsmen lapel badges for Surrey issued by Robertsons, the jam people, went for a mere £140 at Phillips in 1986; an incomplete version of Lamp-lough's Gold Medal Model Cricket realized £75 at Christie's a year later; a silver marine-type deskpiece inkwell, presented by Lord Ashton, President of Lanhire CCC to the captain. Lt Co. L. Green, to commemorate the county's third successive championship, fetched only £260 in the same sale as the 12 Robertson not-

quite-golliwogs.

So the field is wide open. You could have got the ball that Clarrie Grimmet used when taking nine for 74 against Cambridge in 1934 for £110. I think I know when I am on to a good thing. Item: one MCC jock strap. Do I hear ten guineas?

interminable attempt to realize a deathless dream.

dirt is ultimately going to stick to

the state and rot the conventions of

political conduct, that is a public

issue which must he confronted.

Dillon's refusal to engage looks all the odder in the light of the fiercely

engaged foreword contributed to

his book hy Conor Cruise O'Brien.

theme that "pervades the story of

the dirty war" - complicity -

O'Brien mounts a biting assault on

the "liberal" hypocrisy of Irisb

public discussion of Northern Ire-

land security operations. "Few of

the media voices which have been so vocal about the Stalker Report

etc., would be heard from about

excesses of repression against the

IRA if the IRA campaign were

going on down here. This type of

liberalism is for export only." This

is cruel but it is thought-provoking, and thought is what has been most

conspicuously missing from the

welter of insecurity, injury and

revenge which for most people has

been the only outcome of this

PAPERBACKS

Starting from his discovery of the

he course of true love

CRIME

Lisanne Radice

SWAN SONG By Edmund Crispin Mysterious Press, £3.50 PENNY PINCHING By Susan Moody Penguin, £3.50 **MARCH VIOLETS** By Philip Kerr Penguin, £3.99 SINS FOR FATHER KNOX By Josef Skyorecky

in Penny Pinching, six foot tall Penny Wanawake, in California with her jewel thief lover, doesn't care for the coincidence that the

Brian Morton

ion of outsiders

body on the terrace could be that of her twin sister, nor that her diplomat father and his friend seem her husband, as well as a stolen to have suddenly disappeared. Strange corpses and dubious political shenanigans linked to past scandals complicate the search for the missing pair as Susan Moody presents a witty, officeat plot enriched hy such notable characters as the 2001h Eve: "Although she sat quite still there seemed to be a lot of emotions surging around inside her massive body, pressing against hreast and thigh and upper arm, eager to emerge and start causing

March Violets is the debut of crime writer Philip Kerr, and I hupe the first of many. The setting is 1930s Berlin at the time of the Olympics where the hero, ex-cop and now private eye, Bernie Gunther, has more work than he can manage — missing persons is a booming business in Hitler's Germany. As a change he is intrigued to

diamond necklace. Philip Kerr not only provides a wonderfully sharp and saurical Philip Marlowe in his laid back, wise-cracking Berlin shamus, but also a plot that is highly original. His descriptions of Nazi Germany catch the full flayour of a society uneasily aware of what has been unleashed but comforting itself in a hlind pretence that times will improve.

The Josef Skyorecky offering is a con. The publishers imply on the cover that we are about to be entertained by the lugubrious antics of his previous hero, the skirt-chasing Lieutenant Boruvka, Instead the reader is presented with travelling night-cluh singer Eve Adam in a series of somewhat tired adventures loosely based on a skit on Father Knox's "Detective Story Decalogue", an intriguing concept which fails to come off.

story examine what it means to be a special kind of insider in a nation of

Bernard MacLaverty writes bril-

will remember Miss Jessica Palin-rode, heroine of More Work for the Undenaker, who wore a cardboard hat and lived off sheep's head broth and wild garlic gathered from bomh sites. In her own quiet way she was caring for the earth's resources; but today's town dwellers need a more comprehensive and up-to-date guide to How to be Green.

Unfortunately, Bernadette Vallely's book reads more like Woman's Own household hints, only written for the under-sixes. Nor is it exclusively concerned with green projects - perhaps having to find a whole I,001 green activities to save the planet was too great a task. So here you are told to relax, should you suffer from stress, to move your fridge when you clean your kitchen, and to keep your car brakes in working order (driving a car, very green).

Being green involves weighing up conflicting imperatives, but calculating resource use is not Vallely's forte. She tells us that gas is "greener" than electricity, though no calculation is offered to prove it. There is a flaw, though. Gas can cause respiratory ailments in children. Vallely's solution? To open a window, or to use a solar-powered ventilation system. The first suggestion has a ring, as does much of this book, of a singularly inept Ministry of Information booklet, the alternative suggests a lot of money.

But pity the Greens, their clothes snatched unsympathetically by all living political parties, their vote plunging dismally as Mrs Thatcher hosts ozone conferences, and her advisers talk about the possibility for economically acceptable sustainable development. Stuart Mc-Burney and Jeremy Seabrook both attack this idea, and McBurney makes a heartfelt case for its impossibility. As with most deep greens, he sees mankind's career as one long Fall, and is all for going back to palaeolithic (or earlier)

conditions.
He thinks that what went wrong was man's capacity to conceptualize. This displaced man's intuitive experience of the planet,

A bout of green spleen

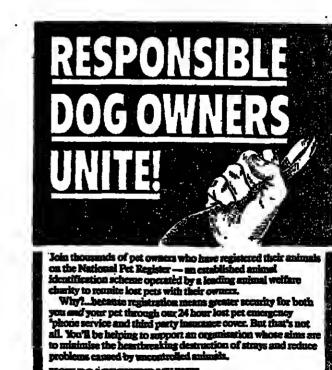
Anna Bramwell

1001 WAYS TO SAVE THE PLANET By Bernadette Vallely Penguin, £4.99 THE MYTH OF THE MARKET By Jeremy Scattrook Green Books, £6.50 **ECOLOGY INTO ECONOMICS** WON'T GO By Stuart McBurney Green Books, £6.95

and led to the hunt for profit. Sometimes one feels that ideologues should live as they talk - but it is hard to be palaeolithic all by yourself, and McBurney has my sympathy in his sincere and touch-ing pursuit, though why his dedicatees should include Jimi Hendrix and John Lennon I cannot

As usual with these deep ecologists, capitalism is seen as the source of environmental ills. Both writers attack the international trading system, but for Jeremy Scabrook the approach is moral rather than structural. To him, the most striking image of capitalism is Michael Ryan, the lone gunman of Hungerford. Individualism is the evil to be fought, and Scabrook fights it with a muddled spleen.

Unfortunately, this can go down well with the brightest intellectuals. They swallowed it over the profit motive as agent of planeticide. So long as they can make enough to go on huying their brake limings and solar-powered ventilators.



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THE SILENCE IN THE **GARDEN** By William Trevor Penguin, £4.99 diminish Caesars". Its purpose is unabashediy feminist and the best of the stories — Anne Devlin's "Naming the Names", Eithne Strong's "The Bride of Christ", Jennifer Johnson's "Trio", and Margaret Barrington's "Village Without Men" — are unassailably compact and powerful, very much in the tradition of Irish short story

writing. However, it's hard to see

Margaret Barrington and Elizabeth

Bowen as "contemporary" writers.

It's more disturbing to see Bowen.

by far the best short story writer in English after James, Hemingway and Joyce, and a confident modern exponent of Edgeworth's "big house" material, sink further into an undeserved status as an "anthology" writer, adaptable to half a

dozen publishers' rubrics. Who Ever Heard of an Irish Jew? (Corgi. £2.99) is the title of David Marcus's collection of stories (the most famous Irish literary character of modern times was just such a hippogriff, which is presumably Marcus's point). Like Joyce's Poldy Bloom in Ulysses, Monty Levinson is a commercial traveller, but with a mind that works rather more like Molly Bloom's. "Monty's Monday" is a miniature Bloomsday of lust and evasion, beautifully gauged. "Ancestral Voices", "St Patrick was a Jew?" and the title

outsiders.

liantly about loneliness and alienation in The Great Profundo and Other Stories (Penguin, £3.99). His "Death of a Parish Priest" sits intriguingly alongside Marcus's more tongue-in-check "My Kyak and the Coming of the Messiah" as a footnote to Joyce's "The Dead". In "Words the Happy Say" a fragment of Emily Dickinson and calligraphy draw two lonely people together. In "Across the Street" it is music that forges the link, wind and breath making connections where touch will not. In the title story, a sword swallower, once immortalized by Matisse in a sequence of lithographs as L'Avaleur de Sabres, is reduced to performing for the drunken students of the Eccentrics Genuine Club, his art reduced to freakishness, a repeated illusion of wilful self-destruction. The ul-

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REAL age is not necessarily relevant in the theatre; witness, for instance, Simon Rice's convincing performance as a schoolboy in Thursday's revival of A Month In The Country. However, her appearance does effectively prevent Sylvie Guillem from playing the heroine, Natalia Petrovna, as wrote the role, a woman who sees life and love slipping past her.

Instead, she suggests simply that passionate feelings have overwhelmed her for the first time, after a marriage devoted to mediocre pursuits: running a house for her elderly husband and flirting mildly with her admirer Rakinn. She plays this unorthodox approach very well, especially in showing vividly that she can no more endure Rakitin's touch. She also dances Ashton's steps as expressively as usual, with her own mtelligent phrasing.

Guillem would have got away with it if she had played opposite one of the Royal Baller's gifted and personable young men as the tutor she becomes infatuated with. Anthony Dowell, the role's creator, would do the ballet a service hy passing it on now, aithough the wig helps his appearance, his movements have lost their legato suppleness. Verek Rencher's absence could have enabled him to move gracefully into playing Rakitin, although then we would have missed seeing Jeremy Shef-field's sympathetic account of the

This work replaced the postponed première of Bintley's The

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Sinfonia Eroica

The Place

MICHELE Anne de Mey differs

from a great many other choreog-

raphers of her generation inas-

much as she is happy to tell her

audience in a programme note just

what the theme of her ballet is. But

even if she had failed to do so, her

message would have been clear.

Sinfonia Eroica, being given two performances at The Place this

week after appearing at the Glas-

gow Mayfest, is about the simple

arithmetical and emotional fact

that three men and four women

just do not add up; someone

De Mey is one of the pioneers of avant-garde dance in her native

Belgium and was an early asso-

ciate of Anna Teresa de Keers-

-maeker. She now has her own

company based at the Theatre

Varia in Brussels; Sinfonia Eroica

is her first major work for the

company, and is danced to

Beethoven's Third Symphony

with interpolations which include

his own piano variations on the

The work is set in a gym with

benches, a litter of towels and

clothing, and a tightrope running

diagonally across the stage. On top

of a ladder, at the start of the

Planets. It thus aborted what should have been the company's most interesting musical juxtaposition all season: Holst and Mahler.

John Lanchbery, recuperating from medical treatment, stepped in bravely at short notice to replace the late Ashley Lawrence as conductor, and injuries in the company played havoc with the intended cast for Song Of The Earth. In the circumstances, it is not surprising that this was not one of the ballet's more rewarding performances. Darcy Bussell, new to the central role, looked sometimes rather promising from the waist up but her movements

lacked weight and expression. Antony Dowson made a solid substitute for the leading man; Bruce Sansom could afford to put more menace into his movements as the Messenger of Death.



Antony Dowson, Bruce Sausom and Darcey Russell in Song of the Earth

tightrope, crouches the outsider.

drawn to the games of the couples,

considerably, from comedy to athleticism to a tender eroticism.

Sometimes the women form

groups, sometimes the men, but

even at moments when the whole

'company is performing in joyous

unison, after a few phrases, one

The women change their clothes

group member will break away.

and footwear at frequent intervals

and this underlines the exclusion

of the one woman who generally

contrives to be differently dressed.

Finally, when all the women are-

wearing light-coloured dresses -

even the odd-girl-out - the men start to douse them with buckets

of water. Shrieking and laughing,

other until the stage is awash. Only

the outsider has remained in the

dry and when she appears among

her drenched fellow dancers they

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performance.

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but never really a part of them.

Theatre: Peter Hall's enthralling new production of The Wild Duck at the Phoenix, reviewed by Jeremy Kingston

Ibsen revealed in bruising confrontations

ith his characteristic boldness in following through an idea that other directors might consider too obvious to contemplate, Peter Hall emphasizes the confrontational essence of Ibsen's play by repeatedly placing his arguing characters face to face.

There they stand, usually centrestage, Hjalmar opposite Gregers, Gregers opposite his father, Hjalmar staring at Gina, Gregers stared at by Dr Relling — not exactly nose-to-nose, but nose pointing unwaveringly at nose, like those ingenious drawings that contrive to be two faces or the stem of a goblet, depending on how your eyes

These confrontations could be fussily broken up by advising one actor to wander upstage or circle moodily round a stool, but Hall has no truck with petty disguises. What each character says in these scenes is of equal weight. One of them may be wrong - though wretched Gregers, with his naive notions of spiritual honesty, is scarcely ever right - and by setting them against each other like armoured knights at a tourney, the idea of the play as a battleground is constantly renewed.

The search for self-fulfilment, as Benedict Nightingale pointed out on this page on Thursday, is fraught with danger and can be fatal when urged upon a man against his will. Gregers and Hjalmar are the first pair to confront each other, when the elderly guests at old Mr Werle's sumptuous dinner have departed to

drink maraschino. Alex Jennings's Hjalmar, not really at ease in rooms hung with purple velvet, and the only man wearing a black tie, is just self-confident enough not to finger it. Plump, stiffbacked and head high, he is confronted by David Threlfall's hunched and skinny Gregers - the only character oblivious to food and drink.

In Jennings's voice one can plainly hear the rhythms of the youngster whose recitations of dramatic poetry melted every-one's heart. When the scene changes to his photographic studio, and Werle's half-seen diningroom becomes the half-seen loft where the wild duck dwells in the make-believe forest, Jennings's voice takes on the defensive tone of the compulsive self-dramatist which, in moments of alarm, will be strangled into a nasal bleat. It is a superbly convincing, and repeatedly funny, portrait of a man who has been cossetted since childhood

Women have done most of the cossetting, but clearly old Werle's handouts will not be refused, so long as he can adopt a noble posture while accepting them. The fractional besitation before describing as "unpretentious" the suggests his awareness that "duhious" or "accommodating" might describe it better.

What the production also convincingly shows is his happy domestic life, a vital element in the play. Nichola McAuliffe's Gina clearly loves her husband, and she graces her performance with telling gestures of wifely care, while Maria Miles's wide-eyed Hedvig murmurs "You're so kind", when be is gracious enough to accept some gift. Gina's devotion to her is exactly caught by the impatient slap she pulls back at the last second, so that she strikes herself instead.

This is the household that the meddling Gregers destroys, doing so with his mealy, urgent voice, like that of a hippy rotted on acid.



Nose-to-nose: Nichola McAuliffe, Alex Jennings and Maria Miles in The Wild Duck

When he puts to Hedvig the idea of sacrificing the wild duck, wrapping the suggestion in words like "strong-minded", and fixing her with his loopy eyes, a murmer of fascinated horror ripples round the audience. The only difficulty with this performance is that it leaves him nowhere to go when

the tragedy bursts, as though he is tno stoned to take it in.

With fine performances from Alan Dobie's Werle, a volcano not yet burnt out, Frances Cuka's Mrs Sorby and Terence Rigby's Wedekind-like Relling, this is as perfect an Ibsen as one has a right

Almost too perfect? It seems grudging to say so, hut at times it does seem too carefully measured, which is why Lionel Jeffries' reappearances as Old Ekdal, delightfully signalling dither, are a refreshment. Oddly enough, this is a production that may become even better as it starts to unravel.

Moral fables from ancient Bunyan and early Miller

THEATRE

Michael Wright

The Pilgrim's Progress Battersea

THIS sparse production of Bunyan's religious allegory, adapted for the stage by Robin Brooks, reflects the Empty Space Theatre Company's credo: "We believe in actors and imagination". They supply four of the former, but the udience is required to provide a hefty quota of the latter. (The mention of Twycroft Zoo in the programme-credits seems promising, but the expected lions never appear.) It takes a strong mind to there is little, but our imaginations are assisted by vibrant characterizations from the small cast.

Paul Casselle's portrayal of tenderly damp her face and roll her in the puddles until she is as Christian (The Pilgrim) is an immaculate conception. No soapy adventurer he, hut a rugged, balding fellow with a grumpy face The piece lasts about an hour and a powerful whiff of l'homme and 20 minutes and is thoroughly absorbing. The surprising choice moven about him. Andrew St of music works well, and although John (playing Evangelist, who some of the movement is predictelse?), booms out as if a contraable, much of it is not. De Mey is bassoon is concealed in his vocal well served by her dancers who cords; Kathleen Campbell sparbring the work to seemingly kles a pair of dazzling green eyes; spontaneous life and provide a Charlotte Winner acts primarily challenge for her own central with a versatile chin and fluttering eye-lids.

Together they make a fine ensemble, accompanying the action with various groans and drones, like sewers gurgling forth effluent woe. Occasionally they produce snatches of Bunyan's hymn "He Who Would Valiant Be", which recurs throughout as a

lovely, however. Fine moments among Andrew Holmes's impressively fluent staging are the oozy gloom of the Slough of Despond; Christian's vivid battle with Apollyon (ter-

leitmotiv. The singing is not

rifying); and best of all, the seething frenetic activity of Vanity

But isolated scenes do not make up for an overall lack of dramatie power, especially in the thin first half, the gargoyles are splendid, but the architecture is drab.

The sum total is an attractive curiosity rather than the "immediate modern drama" touted by Empty Space's optimistic press

Bunyan still looks happier on the page than on the stage.

MARILYN KINGWAL

The Pilgrim's Progress: Andrew St John and Paul Casselle

Harry Eyres

The Man Who Had All The Luck **Bristol Old Vic**

WITH this early work, the Arthur Miller (UK) bandwagon rolls into Bristol. The play is a fable about the perils of good fortune, which is both a reversal of the Book of Joh and a precursor of later plays such as Death of a Salesman and The Price. The original production on Broadway in 1944 lasted only four nights, but Miller was not prepared to write it off as a failure; he says he has revised the ending 20 times since then. The present version dates from 1988, Sadly, Paul Unwin's production, strong around the fringes but hollow in the middle, fails to make a

compelling case for it. The plot concerns the two Beeves brothers. David is lucky in everything he attempts - love, the garage husiness, mink-breed-- while Amos fails as a baseball player, having been overcoached hy his doting father. The crucial point, which fails to come across in Iain Glen's David, full of ingenu charm but strangely frail and under-powered, is that good luck causes him acute anxiety.

In the novel which preceded the play, inability to accept his good fortune leads to madness and suicide. Such self-destructiveness seems perverse, but has to be seen in the context of the 1929 crash, which, retrospectively, gave a dnom-laden quality to all success. A telling moment in the first act occurs when David is congratulated for a repair effected by a mysterious stranger; instead of a moral dilemma we are presented with arch situation comedy.

Humour wins hands down over moral conflict in this production. Barry Stanton as J.B. Feller, a drunken store-keeper of the same breed as the doctor in Stoge Coach, gives a vivid performance, while Christopher Ettridge marvellously creates a convincing persona for Gus, the Austrian immigrant, who is also a personitication of fortune The non-naturalistic aspects of

the play are highlighted by Sally Crabb's elever sets, which show themselves up as constructions, and Andy Sheppard's striking music, used to emphasize the strokes of outrageous fortune. Paul Unwin's grasp of the elusive Miller mixed style cannot be laulted; it is the content which seems to have escaped him. Those who enjoyed Rudi Davies's performance in Andrea Newman's A Sense of Guilt can see her replay it as David's wife Hester, this talented actress should not be content to repeat mannerisms.

Money to the wind

THEVSION Jasper Rees

"IF IT'S got wings it's a plane," said someone when asked to lay to rest a dispute as to whether a Sunderland, a vehicle which floats and flies, is a boat or an aircraft.

In fact, the Sunderland was not the only thing that was airborne in "Edward's Flying Boat," part one of Short Stories (Channel 4), a new documentary series which gives a chance to first-time directors. Edward, himself, seemed to have his head in the clouds. Where else could it have been when, down on the ground, the rest of him was signing away the family's seven-figure fortune in order to

indulge a boyish whim? Sometimes people make gentle films in homage to this classic car or that vintage train, but in the best examples of the genre the rusty hunk of metal is only an excuse to make a film that is anything but a homage. This was one of them, as the main point of interest in Catherine Adler's little gem of a documentary was not the magnificence of the flying machine but the loopiness of the man

who owns it. When Edward Hulton inherited the wealth built up by his father in the publishing empire responsible

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for giving the world such titles as The Eagle and Picture Post, no one could understand why he sank a fat slice of it into a majestic old Sunderland, the last of its kind.

His first wife could not, and left him; nor can his second: "I, for one, certainly don't want to be poor," she grandly announced to the camera, though it looks as if she is going to be.

Edward's explanation was that losing money was in the blood: his grandparents had lost all their possessions in the Russian Revolution. Perhaps an atavistic memory of this injustice made Edward wary of his indispensable chief mechanic Peter, whom he suspected of being "rather leftwing". And perhaps this was why he claimed not to feel "welcome in my own property."

Certainly, there was a subversive side to Peter, no mean eccentric himself, who piratically talked to an eagle-pigeon hybrid on his shoulder: he observed that whenever Edward changed the name of the aircraft something went wrong, and the glint in his eye indicated that he would love to see it happen again.

Meanwhile, it was impossible to read anything into Edward's far-away look. "English people are a pretty weird bunch, actually," he said approvingly, as if trying to

rope us all in to his particular state. The only theory he is ever likely to be able to prove is an oldestablished one - that if you talk to a camera for long enough, you will inevitably end up shooting yourself in the foot.

RAINFOREST.

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Coming through loud and clear

CONCERTS

Stephen Pettitt

Moscow RSO/ Fedoseyev Barbican

IF THE Moscow Radio Symphony Orchestra was dispirited by the poor public response to its concert on Thursday, the playing did not show it. High passion characterized all three works in different ways, so that feverish, loud endings were a major theme of the evening. The musicians, encouraged by a conductor, Vladimir Fedoseyev, who is ohviously a fully paid-up member of the Soviet melodramatic school, were happy to nail their emotional colours to the mast.

So it was in the full-blooded reading of Tchaikovsky's Francesco da Rimini - hut even this work demands some sensitive balancing. Perhaps because the players did not have sufficient time in which to master this tricky acoustic, there were moments when their sound became coarse and confused, dominated hy high, gratingly steely violins, unpleasantly booming timpani (not for nothing does the London Symphony Orchestra tend to place them forward and to one side of the platform), and piercing cymbals. Perhaps, however an aural representation of Dante's vision of Hell should not sound too pleas-

ant, if it is to be convincing - and this audience certainly relished the stirring amount of volume. Somewhere in this heady drama could be distinguished some well-shaped contributions from the woodwinds. They were given space to shine more prominently in a cogent reading of Rachmaninov's Second Symphony. The sound of the violins - which had not changed - also suited this music better. The first movement, an enormous structure of Brahmsconvincingly shaped, while the Scherzo, far from being simply jaunty, created and dissipated its own menace and manic energy; and the Adagio's passions, with emerging, tremulant trumpets and triumphant horns, were indulged to the full, though in a way which preserved momentum.

Between these two exercises in unabashed romanticism came Prokofiev's First Piano Concerto, whose première in 1912 was received with something like numbed shock. Even today, it punches hard with its obsessive little five-note theme, its irrepressible rhythmic impulse and its often difficult piano part.

Vladimir Ovchinikov chose not to over-exaggerate the concerto's spiky qualities, however, giving a performance which, though hril-liant, also paid due attention to tone quality. He is a strong, imaginative and intelligent pianist, the perfect man to reveal aspects of this work rather deeper than those that are usually

Island sounds and sweet airs

Liverpool Philharmonic as a

ian density, was carefully and

David Fallows

RLPO/Wordsworth Liverpool

OVER a hundred miles west of Scotland lies the tiny island of St Kilda - savage, treeless, thoroughly inhospitable and, until the last few inhabitants were evacnated about 60 years ago, Gaelicspeaking. Now it is a bird-reserve

and military base. But the loss of an old and isolated culture on a deserted spot of such stark beauty has not only a romantic appeal of its own, but also a message about the inevitable changes in the human

condition. James Wishart has treated a commission from the Royal

chance to explore these things. His 20-minute Oran Hiortoch (St Kilda Song) for soprano and orchestra uses texts from a variety of sources: poems about the island, reflections on the symbolically stark circumstances in which the last islanders left their home, and two Gaelic songs from St Kilda.It also uses orchestral textures derived from the Psalmody

The work has the virtues of a thoroughly coherent and wellcontrolled style, with an economy that, at the same time, never loses shape or formal drive. Much of the writing is basically in a slowmoving and widely-spaced threepart counterpoint, in which a small concertino group brings focus to the multi-layered orchestral material.

of the Western Isles.

While the colours change relatively little, the work has a remarkable unity within a texture that is constantly alive and never risks losing the attention of the

listener. The vocal line - magnificently projected by Sarah Leonard - has wide-ranging and angular shapes that seem to reflect the island. It is in a style that often huries the words; and it might, therefore, have benefited from less text, so that the listener could focus more directly on the musical events. But

the work's impact is undeniable. Barry Wordsworth conducted a clear and direct first performance. Earlier, Anne Queffélec had been a fluidly lyrical soloist in Chopin's

First Piano Concerto. The concert ended with a wellmodulated reading of Stravinsky's Firebird suite.

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Brahms: Four Symphonies/Haydn Variations/Double Concerto etc. (RCA GD60325; 4 chscs) Verdi: Aida/Falstaff/Req (RCA GD60326; 7 discs) All the above with the NBC Symphony Orchestra conducted by Arturo Toscanini

e was born before the invention of the phonograph, and 20 years later, in 1887, played the cello at the premiere of Verdi's Otello. And now Arturo Toscanini's entire recorded legacy is preserved and reproduced for posterity oo both video and compact disc. RCA Victor's formidable programme of nine concert videos and 82 CDs is due for completion in 1992, oo the 125th anniversary of the conductor's birth; it was launched recently in Rome, in the presence of Toscanini's daughter and grandson, and amid an international orgy of self-congratulation.

The first fruits of the great harvest, reaped from the first acoustic La Scala recordings of 1920 up to the television concerts of the early 1950s, are those made at the very end of his career. The transfers and remasterings made under the direction of Joho Pfeiffer are from tapes of the original recording sessions, not from the production masters for the 78s or LPs. As such, they faithfully, at times tryingly, main-tain the dry, constricted acoustic which Toscanini himself favoured, whether in studio or in concert hall. The sound, though, is freshly focused and enlivened in

its digital remastering.
What it all reveals is, not surprisingly, Toscanini's astonishing rhythmic rigour, his microscopic observation of detail, the fine transparency and alertness of his string playing. Less predict-able, perhaps, for the general listener, will be the revelations (particularly on video) of Toscanini's own smouldering, hypnotic hold over his performers. The violinist Oscar Shumsky has admitted to feeling so dominated, almost owned, by the maestro that he escaped to chamber music. Something of that extraordinary chemistry is palpably present in the charge of energy transmitted, for instance, to the soloists of the Brahms Double Concerto, and in the obviously inspired contribution of the vocal quartet of Beethoven's Ninth. Here, for a brief epiphanic moment, is a glimpse of how the voices can of the symphony's life. The Berthoven is, in fact,

Toscanini's only complete recorded cycle, and was made when be was between 82 and 85 years of age. The Second Symphony, recorded between 1949 and 1951, is one of his finest performances on disc. It is the culmination of his vision of the work as charged by hrilliantly contrasting dynamics, biting rhythmic momentum, and a startling fusion of hard-edged sonority with the lightest and finest of string playing. The first movement passes as if in one long upbeat; the three-quaver pulse of the Larghetto draws one lightly suspended line of melody from a divertimento-like orchestral

Received wisdom about Toscanini is questioned at maoy points in RCA's release, hut nowhere more pointedly thao in the Sixth Symphony. Far from being faster and more fiercely driven in the reputed tradition of his later performances, this "Pastoral" has an elasticity of rhythm, a flexibility of phrasing which seems to convey a particular affection for the work. It was, after all, the Beethoven which Toscanini broadcast most and recorded last.

The rhythmic primacy of the Seventh Symphony makes it, ol course, Toscanini material par excellence, though the merciless driving of this finale does make it more of a relentless workout than the apotheosis of the dance. Toscanini's obsessional avoidance of anything too slow or too Germanic in this work results in the introduction becoming a crescendo of poundiog semiquavers; the Vivace, with its tight, tense woodwind, is tinder-dry with expectation; and the slow movement's weightless counter-subject soon achieves rare urgency in its own right.

Toscanini was something of a champion of the Ninth Symphony: at the turn of the century performances were still rare, let alone readings marked by such "subtle and significant modifications of tempo", as the New York Times critic noted of Toscanini's in 1913. Nearly 40 years on, the observation is still startlingly true, and nowhere more so than in the chorale finale. For once, every shift of tempo makes easeful, thrilling sense: the soloists relax into lyricism itself.

Toscanini's Brahms is, for me, less than great. There are moments of awe-inspiring insight, like the delicate, intuitive realization of Brahms's own Allegro no troppo ma con brio direction for the last movement of the First, and the sense of musical weights and measures finding their own instinctive level in the Andante of the Third. But Tosand therefore a partial Brahms, often so meticulously studied that

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Hypnotic hold: the young Arturo Toscanini in 1896, the year of the world premiere of La Bohème

the conductor's profile becomes more sharply outlined than that of the composer.

For Toscanini, no opera was more beautiful, more complete, newer and more Latin than Falstuff". And no recording of Verdi's great masterpieces is perhaps more perfectly paced, more joyful in ensemble, more vibrant in pulse than this NBC broadcast of 1950. Verdi never heard Toscaniai's performance, though the conduc-tor was only 26 when it received its premiere; but his librettist Boito conveyed his own "immense intellectual joy" at Tos-canini's way with a work with which he obviously felt the deepest sympathy.

Few performances can offer wind playing comparable to that at the entry into Ford's garden; few show such a vivid palette of women's voices as that glowing Nan Merriman, Cloe Elmo and, above all, Teresa Stich-Randall's

Nannetta, Giuseppe Valdengo's Falstaff, with its dark underside of anger and melancholy, thrives in an environment of robust recitative, tingling ensemble and transparent string playing.

Aida, taken from studio performances of 1949 (and also available on video, RCA 9790346) is less magnificent vocally: Richard

CLASSICAL UPDATE

Tallis: Spem in alium, etc. Winchester Cathedral Choir (Hyperion CDA 66400) A fina choice of Tallis's Latin settings, but the big star here is the majestic reverberation of Winchaster Cathedral.

Record for Rumania (Marco Polo 8.223305) This release may profit Romania, but it does little for Enescu: only the short symphonic poem Volx de la nature shows a complex personality. But the playi Romanian orchestras, is

Tucker's Radames is a shade dry, Herva Nelli's Aida moves, but fails to thrill, and Valdengo's Amonasro lacks the sympathy or stature of his Falstaff. But the refinement of pacing and phrasing and the stifling tension of the private scenes contribute much that is remarkable to this performance.

Nelli plays a happier part in Toscanini's last great Requiem performance of 1951. The same boxed set also offers not only the Te Deum hut "Va, pensiero". Luisa Miller's "Quando le sere al placido", and the extraordinary Hymn of the Nations Verdi wrote for the London Exhibition of 1862. Toscanini, himself the son of a Garibaldi revolutionary, resurrected it in 1943 for an Office of War Information film, adding to its heady melange of English. French and Italian national an-Internationale and The Star-Spangled Banner. Evviva Toscanini!

A-Z GUIDE TO ROCK

Part 30 of David Sinclair's collectors' A-Z, a guide to the essential alhums of the most enduring performers of rock. To qualify for

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on to index cards and stored in a 6in by 4in filing box, available from most good stationery shops, to form an instant guide to the hits and misses of rock history.

THE KINKS

arhaps rock's definitive ehronicler of the English way, Ray Davies's finely-drawn vignattes of life in the Sixties remain both touching and apposite, be they talas of star-crossed lovers bathed in a rose-tinted sunset on Waterloo Bridge, or of faeing up to the grim realities of life in "Daad End Street". Furthermore, with the pummalling aggression of their 1964 hit "You Raelly Got Ma", the Kinks may arguably claim to have minted tha first bona fide heavy-metal niff. But although the group put out saveral ambitious "concept" albums in tha late Sixtias, and subsequently enjoyed considerable auccess in America, it is for that initial burst of singles, released between 1964 and 1970, that they remain best known and lovad. "All Day and All of tha Night", "Tired of Waiting for You", "Sunny Afternoon", "Till the End of the Day", "Lola" and other similerly glorious three-minute wondars ara collected on Greatest Hits (1985), which despita Davies's best afforts is really tha only essential Kinks album.



Apposite: Ray Davies

KOOL AND THE GANG

or a group with auch a determinedly low profile, Kool and the Gang anjoyed a phenomenal strike rate throughout the Eightnes, particularly in the US chart, with such hits as "Cherish", "Celabration", "Get Down on it" and "Victory" seemingly becom-ing part of the air that we breathe without ever fully impinging on the consciousness. A slick, mellifluous soul groove dominates The Singles Collection, released in 1988, a timely reminda

of such triumphs, but one which inevitably ignores tha first flowering of this unlikely collection of talents as one of the dafinitive straat-funk bands of the early one of the dainline stratifier bands of the early Seventies, alongside acts like War and the Ohio Players. Led from the rear by bassist Robert "Kool" Bell, abetted by his brother Ronald Bell on tenor and soprano saxophone, Kool and the Gang first powered into the American chart with Wild And Peaceful in 1974, an album which boasted the immortal cuts "Funky Stuff", "Jungla Boogie" and "Hollywood Swinging".

NEXT WEEK: Led Zeppelin, Level 42

ROCK UPDATE

Lee "Scratch" Perry From the Secrety Laboratory (Mango MPLS 1035) The legendary reggaa producer emerges from a fallow period with sparks of his

Ali Farka Toure The River (World Circult WCD 017) Rich and contemplative

music from Mall, tastefully embellished by tha occasional addition of harmonica, percuasion and

Black Box Dreamland (Deconstruction PD 74572)
"Ride on Tima" may have been the biggest hit single of last year, but it gave no indication that this Italian group had any

more to offer. Their album is surprisingly accomplished and offers a well-rounded collection of songs.

Billy Idol Charmed Lifa (Chrysalis CCD 1735) Idol's Image and lifestyle do not encourage the senous reading of his music, but his new album, the first since 1986, makes intelligent use of rock 'n' roll cliches.

Reed standing tall again

JAZZ

Clive Davis

Eddie Daniels Nepenthe (GRP 9607-2) The Chick Corea Elektric Band Inside Out (GRP 9601) Randy Weston Portraits of Duke Ellington (Verve 841312)

nce the prince of jazz instruments, the clarinet has suffered badly in the post-war era, never recovering from the onslaught of bebop. Where Artie Shaw, Barney Bigard and Benny Goodman once led the way, a contemporary player such as Eddie Daoiels now seems almost a freak of nature.

In the five years since the classical-jazz alhum Breokthrough, the 48-year-old New Yorker has generally been given a rough time by reviewers. Though reed players are coostantly amazed by his control of tone in even the most tortuous sequences, there has been an undeniably saccharine flavour to much of his work. In his progress through the various genres, from Charlie Parker riffs (To Bird With Love) to quasi-classical (Memos From Paradise), he has sounded like a virtuoso io search of the right format

Io Nepenthe he has been given the glossy GRP fusion treatment. The process is usually fatal, but Daniels's sextet emerges unscathed, with tunes which functioo as more than mere background music. Though the alhum title refers to a mythical Egyptian narcotic, there is nothing sleepinducing about Daniels's elegant improvisation on "Sun Dance" or "Equinox". His playing here is sparser than usual, no longer simply spilling out the arpeggios.

The alhum does run out of energy by the end of its 60 minutes. It is at least a pleasant change to hear a clarinettist take

on material that is usually reserved for extrovert tenor saxophonists - and to hear a fusion band which allows the soloist plenty of space. Guttarist Chuck Loeb and drummer Dave Wecki encourage a sophisticated but uncluttered ambience.

For GRP at its very worst, one can turn to Chick Corea's Elektric Band, which happens to include two of Daniels's sidemen -Weckl, and bassist John Patitucci. Speeding along at a constant 100mph, the compositions amount to the sort of vacuous geewhizzery that appeals to the more impressionable sixth-former. Corea's undisputed keyboard skills are spread dreadfully thin here. To complete the insult, his sleeve notes find space for full details of his agent, lawyer, fan

cluh and clothes designer.
Back in the adult world, Randy
Weston's tribute to Duke Ellington forms part of a trilogy including a collection of Thelonious Monk standards and a "selfportrait". Heavily influenced by Mook, the composer of "High Fly" plays six Ellington originals. accompanied by bassist Jamil Nasser, drummer Idris Muhammad and percussionist Eric

sante's pounding African drums create an atmospheric prelude to 'Caravan", a miniature which has been twisted out of shape by many a circus band. Expanding the piece to a full 12 minutes, Weston builds momentum with spacious, Monk-like chords. "Sepia Panorama", which formed a spectacular vehicle for Jimmy Blanton and Ben Webster in 1940, meanders through an 11-minute dialogue between piano and drums, Muhammad's New Orleans crossrhythms toy with the time signature on "Limbo Jazz", hut the result is mannered compared with the breezy jam session on Ellington's 1963 encouoter with Coleman Hawkins.

JAZZ UPDATE

Mose Allison: My Backyard (Blue Note CDP-7983402) After a gap of almost three years, the singer-planist is back with a modern New Orleans band and more deadpan reflections on the loser's life. Saxophonist Tony Dagradi and guitarist Steva Masakowski stir a soulful brew, taking some ot tha pressure off of Allison's highly personalized voice.

Fats Waller And His Rhythm: The Last Years (RCA/Bluebird ND-90411) (3 CDs) A lavish collection of mora

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Some of the planistcomposer's aarliest — and most
enduring — recordings. The
new re-ordered package finds space for alternate takes, though at the expense of a number of tha collaborations

with Milt Jackson.

Darkest deeds

SPOKEN WORD Peter Davalle

Tales of Horror by Edgar Alian Poe (Listen for Pleasure, LFP7454) Ghost Stories M.R. James (Argo

Sherlock Holmes (3) (BBC Radio Collection, ZBBC 1123)

REASONING, sensibly, that an actor best known for his horror films (Dracula, Curse of Frankenstein, The Mummy etc) ought to know how to produce a frisson, Listen for Pleasure has selected Christopher Lee to read this quartet of flesh-creepers by Poe. Another - probably even more legitimate - reason for choosing Lee is that his tones are baritonc. shading into bass; Poe should never be read aloud by a tenor, because he would be able to make nothing of dark tales about dank sepulchres, rotting corpses guarded by vengeful black cats, and prisoners facing death by rats and a pendulum meat slicer.

When Fortunato, the villain of The Cask of Amantillado, says: "I shall not die of a cough", Lee injects so much prescient menace into the line that we dare hardly contemplate the nature of the doom that is planned for him.

Compared with the eye-popping horrors of Poe, the quintet of M.R. James ghost stories are mere goose-pimplers, and the reassuring voice of Michael Hordern is absolutely right for them. You feel James himself might have selected Hordern to recount these restrained tales of haunted dolls' houses, diaries, and private schools.

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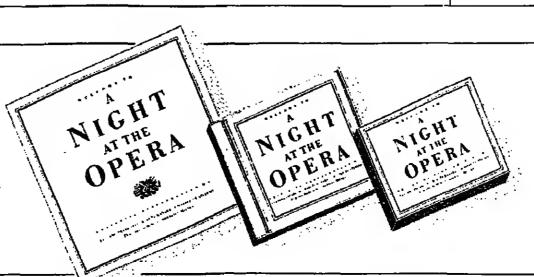
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More to discover

As gardens start to run riot, Francesca Greenoak suggests a plan of action for their owners - and for flower show fans

How does your garden grow?

here is a point in every year when the fecundity of foliage and flowers in the garden becomes slightly unnerving. Where only a short time earlier one rejoiced in the expansiveness, one now sees apprehensively that urgent action is required, as the garden loses definition in its billowing growth. Bushy plants such as hardy geraniums, jealous of the space allotted, impose oo their more restrained neighbours; small delicacies are lost from sight, and the fresh strands of climbing plants tie themselves into aggressively intractable knots.

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At the same time an undercurrent of weed growth goes briskly into action; the annual meadow grass thickens its tufts by pathsides and sends up its little flowering stems with such amazing rapidity that digging them up, you invariably spill the tiny seeds for its next crop. No longer can such weeds be considered as fuel for the compost heap, for the seeds will probably survive the heating and emerge to germinate next year.

Other small weeds are dashing to spread themselves as fast as possible: speedwells, eochanter's mightshade, the daintily rosetted hairy bittercress which hitches a lift with cootainer-grown plants and stays forever, flickering its seeds explosively throughout the flowerbed at the mere proximity of the careful gardener's hand. Meanwhile dandelions have bloomed as never before this year, and the greywhite lollipop seedheads of future trouble are populous oot only in gardens bot oo adjacent land, roadsides and verges. Even if you cannot root up the plant, remove

the seedheads without delay. and trimming can usually restore the garden to an attractive brilliance, which will probably never be bettered during any other season. This year, plant life is so precocious that the special flowers of late spring are coinciding with

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the stars to property to the those of summer, such as meadow Among the most precious plants oow blooming I value highly the Pheasant's Eye narcissus, with its paper-pale, thrown-back flower with the neat little trumpet of greeo-orange, and the most wonderful rich scent, which falls short of the slightly sickening heaviness of some of the showy, modern narcissi. Even a small group of, say, half a dozen or so planted close together is well worth having in the garden.

The small native European gladiolus (Gladiolus italicus, sometimes called byzantinus) is oow emerging from its beautifully folded bud to reveal a complicated but brief-lived flower of intense pink. Irises, those other glorious, short-lived flowers of early summer, are also coming into bloom. They respood well to sunny conditions, perbaps worth increasing if

warm weather persists. The low-growing snapwort (Saponaria ocymoides) which has begun to be sold in garden centres also seems to have enjoyed the warm spring. Another southern European native, this little plant, with its endearing, five-petalled pink flowers, looks very well at the edges of a border or bed. I'd also recommend the strawberry-potentilla hybrid called Pink Panther (which I planted only because I was giveo it). It has turned out to be much nicer than expected, the flowers opening a strong pink which fades slightly with time, and an edible (if oot gourmet) fruit is promised later in the season

An early summer shrub I love is Rubus Tridel Benenden, a member of the blackberry/raspberry genus. Its rose-like flowers have rather A determined session of weeding crumpled white petals around a golden centre, which arches along branches of daioty, mid-green foliage. As the early roses come into bloom, I was interested to find that the incense rose (Rosa primula) which does not give off its rich scent as readily as the briar roses

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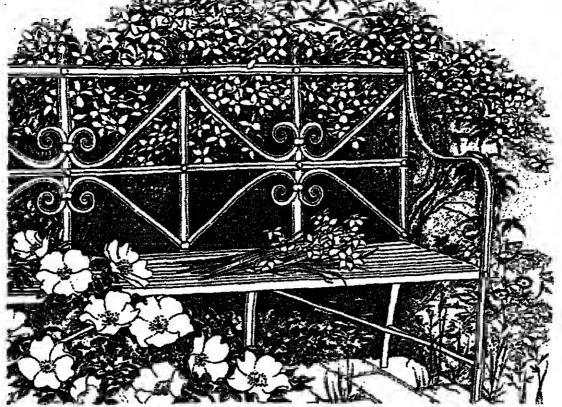
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(indeed, you have virtually to macerate a leaf to get that spicy, high-church fragrance) perfumes the air with no iotervention when it is very hot. This makes good sense of growing it against a hot sunny

There is a good range of plants of all kinds at ourseries and garden centres oow. Water-plants can be planted or put io positioo in ponds warmed up by the sun. Annuals of various kinds can be bought to fill gaps, though tender plants such as impatiens and geraniums (especially small, young specimens) should be acclimatized to outdoor cooditions for a while, and not planted in their permanent posit-

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ions until all danger of frost has

Some plants which provided early display may need to be taken io hand now; straggly shoots of osmanthus or evergreen ceanothus may be pruned back as oecessary after the flowers have faded. Kerrias should have its flowering stems cut right back to near ground level after the blooming fades, in order to encourage next year's flowering shoots (cuttiog all the shoots back is advised for the double form).

Honesty, which brightens the shade under trees, should be pulled out after flowering, except for those plants which you require for seed or winter seed-head display, otherwise next year's garden will be dominated by this friendly purple invader. The same goes for hedge garlic and forget-me-nots, whose development should be arrested before they go over-generously to seed. There will be enough seed from plants you overlook to provide a show for next year.

The early clematis (the montana group) is already in good flower. Strictly speaking they do not require pruning, but if they have tangled themselves into unruly knitwork, or begunto conquer areas you prefer unclematized, stand by with the secateurs after flowering. wheo the long strands can safely be cut back and neatened.

GARDENS TO VISIT

GLOUCESTERSHIRE: Stone House Cottaga Gardens, Stone (2m SE Kidderminstar via A448 towards Bromsgrove, turn up drive next to church). One-acre walled garden, rare wall shrubs, climbers, herbaceous plants: plant sale in adjacent nurseries. Adult £1, child free. Tomorrow, 10am-6pm.

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RHS members can visit on May 22 and Wednesday 8am-8pm both days, or purchase reduced-price tickets on the public days (£6, maximum two tickets), and may come to the show free at 4.30pm on Friday May 25 to buy plants from nursery exhibitors when the show closes at 5pm. Members should obtain tickets direct from Vincent Square. There will be a full report of the show in next week's column.

Other places of interest to visit in London during Chelsea Week

 The Museum of Garden History, St Mary-at-Lambeth (on the south bank just over Lambeth Bridge, opposite the Palace of Westminster). Ignore receot, inaccurate press noisings: the Museum of Garden History is open Mon-Fri 1 lam-3pm, Sun 10.30am-5pm, with a permanent display of gardening artefacts, and an attractive knot garden of 17th-century plants. Throughout Chelsea Week, until May 27, there will be an exhibition of paintings by Gillian Whaite and Clarence Whaite.

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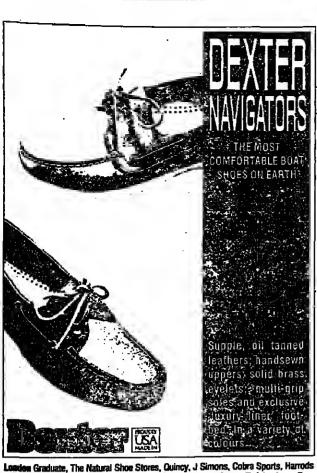
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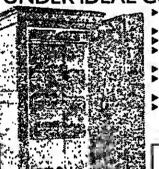


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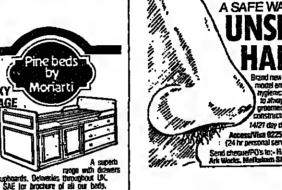
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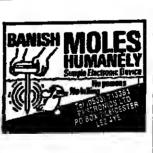
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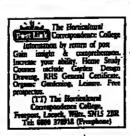
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Care is vital when using a mains-powered drill outdoors; always use a residual current device to minimize the risk of an electric shock. Protecting the eyes with goggles when drilling is a sensible precaution to take.

• Power. Most hammer drills are rated at 500 watts or more. But this is the input power. In assessing the Best Buys, Which? also took account of the more important maximum output power.

• Speed. Cootrol of speed is important for some jobs. But, even when drilling at high speed, it is often useful to be able to start the drill slowly and build up to full speed. Most of the hammer drills tested had a variable speed control. With some, this was combined with a speed preselect cootrol - a way of limiting the movement of the trigger so that it did not exceed

the maximum speed required. Some of the drills also had two-speed gearboxes. This means that the torque of the drill - the twisting force - is greater at the lower speed. This is ideal for masonry.

Reverse. This is a useful action for undoing screws, and possibly for freeing a drill bit which has jammed.

• Feedback. An ordinary drill will tend to slow down as the load increases. A constant speed conrol tries to combat this by increasing the power to the motor to match the load. A variable torque control limits the rwisting force at the chuck to a pre-set level. This is useful for delicate jobs such as screwdriving. An overload cutout prevents the motor burning out by disconnecting the power when there is a danger

of overloading it. Models tested: the one-gear haramer drills included those by AEG, Black & Decker, Bosch, Hitachi, Kango, Kress, Makita, Peugeot and Skii. The two-gear hammer drills included those by Black & Decker Bosch, Hitachi, Kango, Metabo and Peries.

ELECTRO-PNEUMATIC

These look like hammer drills, although the hammer action of an electro-pneumatic drill is provided by a pistoo driveo by air pressure. This is more effective than the mechanical hammer action, and electropneumatic drills tend to ontperform ordinary hammer

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drills for tough masonry jobs. Because less of the vibration gets transmitted back, they can be more comfortable to use. But they can be quite bulky, heavy and relatively expensive.

Most of the electro-pneumatic drills tested had SDS Plus toolholders rather than conventional chucks. These toolholders take special drill bits, which are about two or three times the price of ordinary masonry drill bits; from about £2.50 to £6, depending on size. The advantage is that they do not rely on how securely the chuck is tightened in order to stop the drill bit slipping.

• Power. The electro-pneumatic drills tested had about the same maximum output power as the conventional hammer drills, but generally performed better when hammer drilling.

 Speed. These drills have maximum speeds similar to two-speed hammer drills on their lower speeds. This is ideal for masonry but not so suitable for other materials. and the ordinary hammer drills were better than the electro-pneumatics for drilling in wood and steel. Most of the models tested also had a reverse action.

 Models tested: Bosch, Kango, Kress, Skil and Wickes.



The main advantages of cordless drills are that they are light, easy to handle, less noisy than big, mains-powered drills and there is no trailing flex to worry about. Although more powerful cordless drills are coming on to the market, at present most do not have the power of larger, mains-powered drills.

• Power. Rechargeable nickel cadmium batteries are used. Some are contained within the drill; others come as a separate pack, which can be detached from the drill for charging.

• Speed. The drills generally run at much lower speeds than mains-powered drills; many also have a lower second speed. This makes them suitable for screwdriving - at the expense of drilling performance. All the models tested had a reverse action.

• Feedback. Only one of the cordless drills tested had a yariable speed cootrol. Three had variable torque controls useful for small screws and soft materials - and two had overload cut-outs.

· Charging time. All the drills tested came with mainspowered chargers. But there was a wide variation in the time it took to recharge the batteries, from as little as one hour to as much as 16 hours. Each drill was measured to assess how well it would perform on a short emergency charge of 15 minntes.

• Models tested: the one-scar cordless drills included those by Black & Decker, Bosch, Hitachi, Makita, Peugeot, Wickes. The two-gear drills came from AEG, Black & Decker, Bosch, Kango, Makita, Peugeot and Skil.

DRILL BITS

The type of drill bit yoo need depends oo the material you are tackling. Steel and other metals. HSS

(high speed steel) twist drill bits are the usual choice. They cost from around 50p for a 3mm bit to about £3 for a 12mm bit. There are special conical cutting tools for drilling holes in thin metal mounting a car radio aerial,

more, depending on size. • Wood. HSS twist drill bits work reasonably well in wood but it is important to ensure that the waste material from the hole is cleared to prevent the drill jamming. Most traditional wood-boring tools are designed to work at low speeds, but there are special tools for wood designed specifically to work with

power drills. Masoury. These drill bits have a small piece of very hard material at the tip, usually tungsten carbide. This can withstand the hammering of a powerful electric drill and the hard, brittle nature of ma-sonry materials. Standard length masonry drill bits cost from £1 to £2, depending on size, and there are also long masonry bits (for drilling through walls) which tend to

ELECTRIC . SCREWDRIVERS

These are designed to help insert and remove screws using power from rechargeable nickel cadmium batteries.

They are relatively cheap (from about £14) but limited in their use. Those tested came with screwdriver bits. Some of the screwdrivers have pistolgrip handles; others straight.

 Power. Like cordless drills, electric screwdrivers use rechargeable nickel cadmium batteries. But the motors are less powerful: the worst of the drills easily out-performed the best of the screwdrivers. None of the screwdrivers could cope with driving screws into steel. ● Speed. Electric screwdrivers typically run at very low speeds, often less than 200 rev/min. This makes them easy to control. All the models tested were reversible, al-

though none had variable speed or feedback controls. • Charging time. from one hour to 16 hours. • Models tested: Black &

Decker, Bosch, Metabo, Plasplugs and Skil. **BUYING GUIDE**

BEST BUY: The Black & Decker 9018, £17, is very keenly priced

BUYING GUIDE

 Power showers. Most people prefer the stronger flow rate of a power shower. It is worth going for the more versatile variable flow type. BEST BUY: Triton T650, £160. Reasonably cheap with good performance

 Electric showers: for BEST BUY: Texas

 Some electric showers BEST BUYS: Heatrae Sadia Sapphire, £75, and

Triton T650 (£160)

upstream of the shower unit.

Power shower (£100 to £500) more water and energy than a

shower-only mixer.

and a good range range of flow rates.

Economy super, £50. Very cheap, easy to use and copes well with changes in water pressure.

restrict heat, saving energy. Redning Super 7S, £80.

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on 0800 252100.

BUYING GUIDE

 Hammer drills: Versatile tools which cope well with most jobs around the house.

Best one-gear hammer drill: the

economical Black & Decker (£40)

PNEUMATIC

Best pneumatic: the Wickes (£75), without reverse or variable speed controls

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Best cordless: the two-gear Bosch (£70) has a screwdriving bonus

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Best two-gear hammer drill:

the Hitachi (with reverse)

BEST BUYS, one-gear drill with reasonable performance: Black & Decker BD143V, £40, if you intend to tackle a lot of masonry drilling, it is worth paying more for the AEG SE2 500, 584, or Peugeot PC580E, 276. For a chill with constant speed and variable torque controls — but poor hammer chiling — the Black & Decker BD155FfT, 260, is well worth constant or

BEST BUY, two-gear drift: Hitachi FDV 16VA, £108 (FDV 16V, £104, without reverse, is similar).

 Electro-pneumatic: These are good tools for masonry work, but are less versatile than hammer drills, BEST BUY: Wickes, £75, without reverse or variable speed control but good performence.

 Cordiess: These are not tough enough for many jobs, but they are handy for light tasks — childing wood and screwdriving, for example, and are safer to use outdoors. BEST BUYS: Bosch PBM 7.2VE, £70, which has two gears and offers good performance, particularly for screwdriving. Best of the single gear drills and with hammer action: Hitachi FDV 10D, £70.

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> energy-efficient than a bath, as a shower-only mixer uses about a sixth of the hot water needed by a bath. A power shower uses two-fifths. Electric showers consume electricity at a very high rate compared with other appliances, but they are still more energy-efficient than a bath because they are used for only a short time. Five minutes under an instantaneous electric shower costs 4p.

Installing a shower yourself should not be attempted unless you are confident that you have all the necessary electrical and plumbing skills, and are sure of all the appropriate regulations. Even if you are confident of your abilities, remember that working with water and electricity can be

Bath/shower mixer (from £50) This replaces the existing bath taps. It consists of a hot and cold mixer tap, hose and shower head. A control lets water come out of the head or the taps. It is cheap, quick and easy to fit, but awkward to adjust because you have to bend down to tap level. If someone turns on a tap or flushes a lavatory, the shower can get hotter very quickly.

Shower-only mixer (from £80) Which? tested 37 different This is plumbed directly into showers it came up with some the hot and cold supply pipes definite recommendations, rather than to the bath taps. It has a control valve (usually Whatever type of fuel your fixed to the wall) and a shower home uses, a shower is more head. To minimize temperature variations, it should be fed from the cold water cistern, or be fitted with a valve which has a built-in temperature stabilizer. Advantages include controls set at a convenient height Once set, the temperature shouldn't change. Disadvantages include the fact that the flow rate can be unsatisfactory, but a booster pump (about £70) can increase the

flow to that of a power shower. Instant electric (from £50)

This type is plumbed directly into the mains water supply. The cold water is heated instantly as it flows over a heating element. It is cheap and you can have a hot shower at any time. However, the unit can suffer from heat fluctua-



Best power shower.

tions if the mains water is used

This is a shower-only mixer with an electric pump to increase the flow rate. It should have its own supply. from the cold water cistern and hot water from the side of the hot water cylinder. Once set, the temperature should not change. Disadvantages: it is relatively expensive and more complicated to install than other types, and uses

BURN THIS: Lanford Wilson's play. Robert Allan Ackerman directs John Malkovich, Lou Liberatore, Juliet Stevenson and Michael

Theatre, South Bank, London SEI (071-928 2253). Previews from

Fri. Opens May 31. Tony Patrick

Hampstead Theatre, Swiss Cottage Centre, London NW3 (071-722 9301). Previews from Wed. Opens May 29.

MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING: Start of the season, directed by Lindsay Posner, with Kari Johnson. Susan Tracy and Martin Clunes. Open Air Theatre, Regent's Park, London NW1 (071-486 2431). Previews from Frl. Opens May 29.

ORION AND THE GREAT BEAR: Bizarre-sounding play by Vivian Fongenia, directed and designed by John Vernon. Croydon Warehouse, Dingwall Road, East Croydon (081-680 4060). Opens Wed.

THE POWER AND THE GLORY: Graham Greene adaptation, Tim Luscombe directs Edward

Petherbridge. Chichester Festival (0243 781312). Previaws from Mon. Opens Wad.

JAZZ

NEWCASTLE JAZZ FESTIVAL: Opening up with the Stan Tracey Big Band (Sat May 26). The Playhouse, Newcastle (091 232 7079/8520). Sat-Sun Jun 3.

ROBIN EUBANKS/STEVE TURRE QUINTET: Two trombones and the proficient neo-bop of Blue Note planist Renee Rosnes.
Romnie Scott's Club, London W1 (071-439 0747). Mon-Sat.

TRIBUTE TO BENNY GOODMAN & **CHARLIE CHRISTIAN: Fats Waller** guitarist Al Casey teams up with the Dava Shepherd Quintet. Pizza Express, London W1 (071-439 8722). Fri.

PHOTOGRAPHY

20 DUTCH PHOTOGRAPHERS: The work of 20 photographers from PANL, the Photographers' Association of the Netherlands, which was set up six months ago to promote the work of professional lansman working in the fields of fashion, editorial and advertising. This axhibition was put together before PANL's formation by a selection panel including tha British photographer, Brian Griffin, whose own work has a high international reputation.
The Association Gallery, London EC1 (071-608 1445). Mon-Jun 1.



Living it up: Adventures in Motion Pictures aboard The Elizabethan paddle-steamer - Keith Brazil, Matthew Bourne, Carrollynne Antoun and Bill Eldridge

MA'S MUSIC: The outstanding cellist Yo Yo Ma plays sonatas by Rachmaninov and Brahms (tha grim E minor one), Stravinsky'a Suite Italienne and a Capriccio by tha American William Bolcom. Barbican Centre, London EC2 (071-638 8891). Tomorrow.

INTERNATIONAL PERAHIA: Continuing the International Piano Series, Murray Perahia, a marvellous player, performs Franck's Prelude, Chorale and Fugue, Schumann's Op 17 Fantasy, Liszt's Spanish Rhapsody and a Chopin group. Festival Hall, London SE1 (071-928 8800). Mon.

KOUT/MORK: The City of

CONCERTS

Birmingham Symphony Orchestra is conducted by Jiři Kout in Smetana's Bartered Bride Overture, Martinu's splendid Symphony No 6 and, with Truis Mork as soloist, Dvořák'a Cello Concerto. Town Hall, Birmingham (021 2363889). Tues.

NORRINGTON BEETHOVEN: Roger Norrington conducts The Philharmonia in an all-Beethoven programme. Festival Hall. Wed.

MISTS, DANCES: in a notabla contribution to the Bohamian Festival, Malcolm Binns brings

ROCK

man with another new set of tunes from his album Storm Front.

Wembley Arana, Middlesex (081-900 1234). Mon, Tues.

charismatic dance-master whose

quantities of pop, rock and funk. Leeds Polytechnic (0532 430171) tomorrow: Birmingham Intsh Centre

GEORGE STRAIT: Winner of the

entertainer of the year award.

Dominion Theatre, London W1

Taxan Country Music Association

LENNY KRAVITZ: Young

soulful sound blends equal

(021 622 2314) Tues.

part from being one of the most desirable icons in the history of pop, Deborah Harry (above) has scored some notable musical

firsts. With Blondie, the late 1970s New York combo which bridged the

gap between the New Wave and Pop, she became the first woman to have

a band in writing three UK chart toppers: "Heart of Glass", "Atomic"

and "Call Me". Another hit, "Rapture", was the first white rapping

record, but by 1983 flagging success caused Blondie to fold. Meanwhile Harry's bleached blonde sub-Marilyn Monroe looks had spawned a bost

of imitators, notably Madonna. After maintaining a low profile for most

of the Eighties, Deborah returned late last year with a solo album. Its title, Def. Dumb & Blonde indicated she still had a sense of bumour,

while live dates demonstrated that, now into her forties, the lady has not

lost her sex appeal. With another single from the album, "Maybe for Sure", looking set to follow the success of "I Want That Man", this week she begins another tour. University of East Anglia, Norwich (0603 505401) Wed; Aston Villa Leisure Centre, Birmingham 6 (021 328 5377) Thurs; Newport Centre, Newport (0633 259676) Fri. Mike Nicholls

BILLY JOEL: Underrated plano

forward Janáček'a In the Mists. Smetana's 10 Czech Dances, Dvořák's Variations Op 36 and Vořísek'a Sonata Op 20 – a good cross-section of Czech piano music Wigmore Hall, London W1 (071-935 2141). Thurs.

METOPES, MAZURKAS: In a programme slightly different from that originally advertised, Janina Fialkowska continues the Szymanowski festival with his Métopes, Mazurkas Op 50 Nos 15 and 16, Scriabin's great Sonata No , Debussy's Images I, Chopin's Mazurkas Op 41 and Scherzo No 4 a richly rewarding programme.
 Purcell Room, South Bank, London SE1 (071-928 8800). Fri.

FESTIVALS

FESTIVAL: Celebration of Spanish

culture including Cumbre Flamenca

dancers, Hesperion early music ansembla and guitarist Peco Peña. Festival Office, Bath (0225 445551). From Frl.

CHIPPENHAM FOLK FESTIVAL:

Nearly 200 events of folk music, song, dance, crafts, workshops and children's events.

Festival Office, Bridge Centre, Chippenham (0249 657190). From

MALVERN FESTIVAL: Cambridge

Theatre Company presents Mrs

G&S with ENO; and English music from Byrd to Finzl and Britten.

NOTTINGHAM INTERNATIONAL

FESTIVAL: Highlights include Stephen Lowe's new musical, Love in the Land of the Luddites;

Georgian State Dance Company;

Nottingham (0602 419741). From Sat May 26.

Celebration of granting of Ripon's charter in 886, with drama, recitals

RIPON CHARTER FESTIVAL:

Festival Trust, Ripon, North Yorkshire (0765 700681).

Warren's Profession: Prunella Scales in Queen Victoria evening;

572725). From tomorrow.

G&S with D'Oyly Carte.

and axhibitions.

Box office, Victoria Cantre

BATH INTERNATIONAL

ome of the biggest names in the musical world are giving their Services for tomorrow's all-day extravaganza on the South Bank.
Under the banner Music for Life, Graham Vick has brought together a staggering array of talent on behalf of Crusaid, the charity that raises money for the fight against Aids. The centrepieces are the evening's gala concert with Simon Rattle conducting songs from Porgy and Bess with members of the Glyndebourne cast, and the four-hour Musical Mystery Tour down the river, which will take in a Richard Jones staging of Monteverdi's 11 Combattimento, a performance of Handel's Dixit Dominus in "a stunning 18th-century setting," and a special presentation of Matthew Bourne's bit show The Infernal Galop — a presentation of Mainew Bounte's in show the Internal Statistical view of Parisian nightlife with dance company Adventures in Motion Pictures. Other celebrated participants include the Labèque Sisters, Evelyn Glennie, Michael Tilson Thomas, Fou Ts'ong, Barry Douglas, Sherrill Milnes, Felicity Lott, Anne Evans, John Tomlinson, David Wilson-Johnson, Yvonne Kenny, Rose English, Sheila Hancock, Dorothy Tutin and Jeremy Irons. Songs bave also been commissioned from Berio, Lutoslawski, Maxwell Davies, Stephen Sondheim and Ravi

Barry Millington Shankar, Box-office (071-928 8800).

DREAMS (PG): Akira Kurosawa's latest apic - a richly rewarding semi-autobiographical fantasy. Lumiere, London WC2 (071-836 0691), Screen on the Hill, London NW3 (071-435 3366). From Frl.

CINEMA

LOVERBOY (15): Bland comedy with Patrick Dempsey as a frisky pizza delivery boy. Cannon Oxford Street, London W1 (071-630 0310). From Frl.

HARLEM NIGHTS (15): Eddie Murphy in over his head as the writer-director-star of this tired tale set in a nightclub. Plaza, London SW1 (071-437



im Henson, who died suddenly on Wednesday, did much to extend the boundaries of screen fantasy. His final film The Witches - a spirited adaptation of Roald Dahl's popular children's book - found him working in tandem with another extraordinary talent, Nicolas Roeg. Henson, the executive producer, provided the services of his Creature Shop - experts at the special effects essential for a tale of hideous witches planning to turn Britain's children into mice. The director Nicolas Rocg - encouraged by his young children's enthusiasm for the book supplied his own strong imagination, particularly in the early Norwegian scenes. Once both parents of the young hero, Luke, have been killed in a car crash, the action shifts (o England: Luke and his grandmother arrive at a grand seaside botel just as the witches, disguised as the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, converge for a convention. Anjelica Huston (above), enjoying herself hugely, plays the chief witch; Mai Zetterling – returning briefly to acting after a 15-year absence – is the grandmother, while Luke is played by fresh-faced Jasen Fisher. Cannon Shaftesbury Avenue, London WC2 (071-836 6279), from Fri, Geoff Brown

GALLERIES

DENZIL MCNEELANCE

BIG PAINTINGS PT II: A further selection of the paintings made for the planned — but never built — Hall of Remembrance at the close of the First World War; works by. among others, Wyndham Lewis, Paul Nash, George Clausen and C. R. W. Nevinson. Imperial War Museum, London SEI (071-416 5000). From Mon.

IMAGES OF THE TEES: Breezy, impressionistic paintings and drawings by Len Tsbner and posed photographs by lan Macdonald, which reveal a Middlesbrough in transition between heavy industry and something as yet unspecified. Polytechnic Galleries, Nawcastle (091 235 8424). From Thurs. NEW NORTH: Works by 16

contemporary northern artists. Tate Gallery, Liverpool (051 709 3223). From Wed. THE RUSSIAN POSTER: From the revolution to perestroika in 65 examples of both state and, mora

recently, unofficial graphics. Smith Art Gallery, Stirling (0786 71917). From Sat May 26. BARRY FLANAGAN: Nine new monumental bronzes, all faaturing tha sculptor's *Leitmotif* — a hare. Waddington Galleries, London W1

(071-437 8611). From Wed. SUNDAY TIMES WATERCOLOUR COMPETITION: A selection from the 2,000 entries to this important national competition. Mail Galleries, The Mail, London SW1 (071-930 6844). From Fri. **DAVID HISCOCK:** New works

exploring the boundaries between painted, photographed and sculpted imagery by a leading stylist and *Vogue* photographer. (Upstairs: Nick Waplington, winner of the Kodak Young Photographers' Award). Pomeroy Purdy Gallery, London SE1 (071-237 6062). From Fri.

OPERA

GLYNDEBOURNE: The new production by America's enfant terrible of Mozart's Magic Flute will give Glyndebourne's patrons enty to chew over during their long picnic Interval. Glyndebourne, Lewes, East Sussex (0273 541111). Mon and

ENGLISH NATIONAL OPERA: Robin Holloway's distillation of Samuel Richardson's mammoth novel Clarissa addresses the theme of sexual attraction from a 20th-century standpoint. Oliver Knussen conducts. London Coliseum, St. Martin's Lane, London WC2 (071-836 3161).

ROYAL OPERA HOUSE: Static production by Faggloni, but strong cast includes Carol Vaness, Sergei Leiferkus, Alexel Steblianko and Eva Randová.

Covent Garden, London WC2 (071-240 1066), Wed and Sat May 26.

SALES

DYSON'S DELIGHTS: Three day sale of contents from John Dyson & Sons, an old-fashioned quality iewellers in Leeds. Sotheby's, Chester (0244 315531). Viewing Mon, Tues and Wed as sales permit. Sales Tues, Wed and

BLUE JOHN: Unusual 19th-century Blue John Goblat (£2,000-£3,000) has popped up in this good medium quality furniture sale. Lawrence Fine Art of Crawkerne, Somerset (0460 73041). Viewing Mon by appointment, Tues, Wed. Sales Thurs.

FLOWERY: More than 200 lots of charming flower and gardan pictures, £200-£400 upwards. Bonhams, London SW7 (071-584 9161). Viewing tomorrow, Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs. Sala Thurs.

STUDIO SALE: Marjorie Mort, an underrated artist who died aged 89 tast December, comes to auction with this comprehansiva sale. David Lay, the Penzance Auction House (0736 61414). Sala Thurs.

BRIDGE

ia Mahmood coofirmed that be is the man for the big occasion when he won the Omar Sharif Individual in Atlantic City a week ago, collecting \$40,000 of the \$200,000 purse.

Iodividual tournaments have long been demode, but the Goren bridge travel and publishing organization sees them as a way to launch a kind of Pro circuit, avoiding the ethical problems that can arise with established partnerships.
This could belp restore interest in the top performers at grass-roots level, at present at a low ebb because of coovoluted bidding methods.

Rubber-bridge players as well as duplicate addicts will recognize in this auction a recurring situation.

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Neither side is vulnerable and the no-trump opening is strong. East holds:

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It seems clear that North-South have no more than a 4-4 fit, for with five spades North would be unlikely to use Stayman. It is also clear that the partnership is at full streich, and that the 4-1 trump break may be hard to

overcome. A double by the short trump hand will seldom go badly wrong, and may misdeclarer. Surprisingly, only Zia doubled as East. Partner infeed up with A-J-9x of spades and the pair scored 300:

There is a neat solution 10 the next deal, but it eluded most declarers.

Dealer West. Neither vul. ♣ AKS43 ♥ J64 ♦ AOJ ♣ A5 W E 0 6 7 63 + 08 7 K85 • 108754 • 0J18

North opened one spade, South bid 1NT and North raised to 3NT. West led the 10 of bearts and South played low from dummy, East following with the 2.

and led a diamond, successfully finessing the jack. Four auction was over you would diamond tricks would be have bet that Sundelin had enough for game, so South continued with the ace of diamonds, on which East showed out. West held off the next diamond and South, short of entries, had to try the spades, but the 4-2 hreak left him with only eight tricks. When he gave up a spade the defenders cashed

jack of diamonds, but then he continued with the queen. Had West taken this trick, Zia would have been home, so he ducked. Now Zia tested spades, gave up a spade trick, and got home for the loss of off the ball, for he played

fatal diamond to cash. Per-Olof Sundelin of Stockholm, known to the bridge world as "P.O.", would earn \$12,000. If Pender hadn't his card if a Pro circuit ever pulled the wrong card, he came into being, but he was woold been first. out of luck when he encountered Zia in this deal:

Dealer East. East-West vul-

Opening lead 46 Sundelio, as North, and South won with the king Zia, East, were in strong and led a diamond, success-contention, and when the have bet that Sundelin had got the better of exchanges. This was because South, a Bermuda Bowl winner, Peter

Pender, had elected to hid four spades when he might well have passed Sundelin's three spades, having already shown his hand. And he had chosen a good moment. With the ace of clubs well placed three hearts and the king of and the missing heart honours divided, Pender was due When Zia played the hand to make game for the loss of he too began by floessing the one heart, one club, and the ace of diamonds.

But on West's opening club lead, Zia, instead of putting up the ace as expected, inserted the queen. Pender had evidently taken his eye one spade and three heart low, wrecking the contract. tricks. The defenders had no This was perhaps the costliest inadvertence in the

history of bridge. Suodelin

finished third, collecting

the wrong card, he phone directory), one would have to cover the surface of the globe and fill all free space 73 Rg1

CHESS

A chess history was made when a chess computer galaxy many times over before the tack would be accomdefeated Anatoly Karpov in a game in Munich. Admittedly this was in a simultaneous display, where the former World Champioo confronted 24 opponents at the same less, Black's horde of pawns time. Nevertheless, this is the first time that a computer has ever beaten a human World Champion.

Although the machine in question is manufactured in Germany, the winning program was written by Professor Richard Lang, a British scientist who lives and works in Cheltenham. The problem in facing a top-class computer is its incredible number-crunching ability in terms of move calculation. Deep Thought, the great American mainframe, can visualize one million positions every second. However, humans cao be encouraged by Arthur Koestler's calculation that even calculating at the rate of one million moves per second, it would take a computer 1009 seconds to calculate a 25-

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t the end of last month in every direction to the the task would be accom-

plished. Io the game which follows. Karpov outplays the machine and wins a piece. Nevertheless, Black's horde of pawns sation, which made the wio for Karpov extremely difficult. On move 46 (see diagram), Karpov, perhaps frustrated by the machine's excellent defence, made an incautious move which permitted the computer to liberate, advance and ultimately promote its passed pawn. White: Anatoly Karpov; Balck: Mephisto Portorose

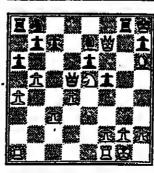
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White plays and wins.

Send your enswer on a postcard with your name and address to: The Times Wirming Move Competition. The Times, 7 Pennington Street, London E1 9kM. The first three correct asswers drawn on Thursday next week will win a Times wallet-sized personal chess computer. The winners' names together with the winning move will be printed in The Times next Saturday.

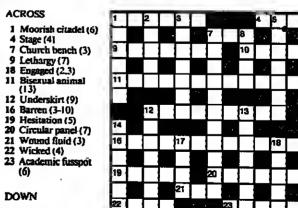
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Prizes of the Collins Concise Dictionary will be given for the first Iwo correct solutions opened on Thursday, May 24. Entries should be addressed to The Times Concise Crossword Competition, I Pennington Street, London, El 9XN. The winners and solution will be announced on Saturday, May 26.



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WHATEVER Jim Leighton's feelings about the events of this week, perhaps the most turbulent of his career, he was not the recipient of any noticeable measure of sympathy from the Scotland coach,

Andy Roxburgh, yesterday.

Roxburgh named the
Manchester United goalkeeper in his squad of 22 for Scotland's trip to Malta next week, a pool which will barring accidents, effectively be the travelling party for the World Cup finals themselves. Leighton, who was omitted

by the Manchester United manager, Alex Ferguson, from the Old Trafford team to play Crystal Palace in Thursday night's FA Cup final replay, will not take part in Scotland's final domestic warm-up match, against Poland at Hampden Park this afternoon, but then the selection of Andy Goram, of Hibernian, as Scotland's goalkeeper was known

10 days ago. Asked if he had offered any words of comfort to Leighton, Roxhurgh replied: "Aye, I told him to be here next Thursday and to make sure his lawn was mowed. Any player worth his salt has to have it in him to overcome these setbacks, and his problems don't affect us in the slightest.

Obviously he is disappointed, but he has had other bad times this season and he has come back from them. He had to play unexpectedly against Argentina and he played well. I'm not too worried about Jim."

If Leighton does require any fortification of his morale, he might reflect that he is singularly more fortunate than his colleague at Manchester United, Brian McClair, Although McClair played well at Wembley on Thursday, Roxhurgh rejected any suggestion that there should be surprise at the player's omission from the

"It's certainly not the impression I have got from anybody. I have told Brian-McClair that I am disappointed that things have not worked out the way we hoped they would. We admire him and that is why we have had him with us before, but the bottom line is bow people perform when they're playing

Another forward who will not travel either to Malta, or to Italy, is Robert Fleck, of Norwich City, despite his heartening performance in the Scots' recent 1-0 victory over-

The fact that he is suffering from a damaged knee is not the decisive factor in his absence, but rather Roxburgh's concern about achieving a balanced squad, one which slightly favours cover in

On the question of Scottish confidence, Roxhurgh said: Morale is not the problem. These players are going to the World Cup, and for many of them, it is their last chance to

SCOTLAND: A Goram (Nibernian): R Gough (Rangers), G Gillespie (Liverpool), C Levein (Heart of Midiothian), M Malpes (Dondee United), S McCall (Everton), R Alliker (Newcastle United), G McAllister (Laicaster City), M McLeel (Gorussia Dotstund), M Johnston (Rangers), A McCalet (Reponers). Juventus's record fee

JUVENTUS yesterday paid a player. The fee is worth more four-year contract. payment to Eindhoven for the

Angry Fiorentina support-Florence when they heard the UEFA Cups this year. news of the impending move some hours earlier. Police had to disperse a crowd of about 500, who blocked traffic outside the headquarters of the

Antonio Caliendo, Baggio's world record 25 billion line agent, said on Thursday that (about £12.2 million) for the transfer, which would give Roberto Baggio, Fiorentina's him 1.8 billion lire (£880,000) Italian international midfield a year plus fringe benefits for a

and what we want now is to

get something from the match

against Poland, who, accord-

ing to Bobby Robson are a

If Scotland manage a vic-

tory against the Poles, it will

be an exceptional event,

because the Scots have never

beaten their visitors at Hamp-

den and have only ever reg-

istered one victory against

better team than Sweden."

Juventus, one of Italy's Dutch international, Ruud richest clubs, are remodelling their side after a lean run of five seasons, hroken only by ers poured into the streets of victory in the Italian and

> They are transferring a clutch of players and replacing trainer Dino Zoff with Luigi Maifredi, of Bologna.



Here's the catch: the goalkeeper, Bryan Gunn, makes a save during training with Scotland, under the watchful eye of colleague. Andy Goram do so. They don't need more

WORLD CUP SOUAD motivation than that. Anyway, although we would have liked to win our practice-matches, we tried things we J Leighton (Manchester United); A Goram (Hibernian); B Gunn would never bave attempted

Defenders in the World Cup proper.

Other countries have done R Gough (Rangers); S McKimmie (Aberdeen); M Malpas (Dundee United); C Levain (Heart of Midlothian); A McLeish (Aberdeen); G that too, which is why the riet Union lost to Israel recently. These things happen

Gillespie (Liverpool); D McPherson (Heart of Midlothian); M

Hearts plan move from Tynecastle

Mercer, aware of crincism green-belt site on the western of the site, said: "I'm not edge of Edinburgh have been confirmed by Wallace Mercer. interested in what some local politicians, who might only be the club chairman (a Special in office for a year, might Hearts are seeking planning permission for a 27,500 allthink. If the people wish it, the politicians will listen. We scater stadium - to be comwant to work together with the

pleted within two years for £20 politicians." million - as part of a £200 million development by chairman in 1981 and who to the next century in terms of

PLANS to move Heart of businessman and chairman of Hearts' stock, stressed that the Midlothian Football Club to a Rangers Football Club. Hearts' stock, stressed that the move away from Tynecastle. where the club has been for clubs had been positive and 110 years, comes under pressure from the Taylor Report.

"It's not for the people of my generation but for those development. "It's a new era born tomorrow and in the next 10-15 years," he said.
"The proposal meets all the requirements that we would Mercer, who took over as wish to take this city through

R -Aitken (Newcastle United); J Bett (Aberdeen); J Collins (Hiberman); P McStay (Cettic); S McCatt (Everton); G McAllister

A McCoist (Rangers); M Johnston (Rangers); G Durie (Chelsea); A McInally (Bayern Munich); D Cooper (Motherwell).

Mercer said that the initial

responses from supporters'

the club would apply next

of a new stadium."

David Murray, an Edinburgh now owns 76 per cent of football stadia." United may go for Southall

international goalkeeper who was omitted from the Manchester United team for Thursday night's FA Cup final replay, has indicated a desire to remain at the club.

Correspondent writes).

Although Leighton was still silent about the decision of Alex Ferguson, the United manager, to leave him out, Leighton's agent, Jerome Anderson, said that his client would not be submitting a transfer request.

Harvey next week. Les Sealey, on loan from Luion Town, has signalled the end of Leighton's career at Old Trafford. Ferguson's long association with Leighton will not stop

him looking for a replacement - and this will be Neville Southall, the Welsh international goalkeeper, who wants to end his nine-year association with Everton.

Although Everton rejected an official transfer request However, it seems probable only a fortnight ago, further goalkeeper.

JIM Leighton, the Scottish that Ferguson's preference for talks are possible with Colin Although Southail would

relish the opportunity to join United the stumbling block is Everion's price for a player who is regarded as the finest goalkeeper in Europe.

If Everton decide to make

Southall available for transfer they would demand at least £2 million, more than twice the fee which Arsenal paid to Queen's Park Rangers earlier this week for David Seaman, the England international

Giving golf the kinaesthetic birdie his column has always found it

hard to take golf seriously. This personal failing is amply compensated for by an occasion called the First World Scientific Conference of Golf, which takes place in July at St Andrews University, with approval and funding from the Royal and Ancient Golf Club.

The handouts I have been given are enthralling. Take Theme One: Human Factors Affecting Golf Performance. Under a list headed "Other Abstracts Submitted", I read the following titles: biomechanical analysis of the optimum golf swing; kinaesthetic perception and skills; effect of skill level on muscle activity; visual alignment in putting; back pain in Swedish tournament players; heart rate, personality and shot-making; strategies versus visual bias on aiming accuracy; normality and independence of scores; and spinal shrinkage.

The technological factors investigated are just as baffling and include aerodynamic lift and drag, golf-club control by passive measurement and computerized club-ball interaction. A letter from Martin Farrelly, the congress director, expresses concern that the Press might emphasize the trivial side of all this, I am asked not to ignore "the weightier, more scientific information", I don't think I could if I tried.



SATURDAY

Finger-flickin' good

he football World Cup has been upstaged. A few days before the hig kick-off, all its thunder will be stolen by the sixth Panini Subbuteo World Cup - Subouteo being fingerflicking table footy. The event takes place in Rome on June 2 and 3 at a cost of £150,000, with 26 nations taking part, including Australia, the United States, Singapore, Finland and Israel. The defending champion is Willi Hofman, of Baden, in Switzerland, but Mario Baglictto, from Bari, in Italy. and, at 20, 10 years younger than Hofman, is favoured for an upset. The leading Brit is a Scottish joiner called John McGiffen. John Waddingtons. the manufacturer of the game, has insured all the players' flicking fingers

for £50,000 each. And baby makes drei

he more we hear of glasnost, the more we hear how unpleasant it was seeking sporting glory for East Germany. Heike Drechsler won a long-jump silver and two sprinting bronzes at the Olympics in Seoul and two golds at the 1986 European

West German magazine that for years she was forbidden to get pregnant. She was married to an East German footballer, Andreas Drechsler, in 1985, and mentioned during an interview shortly afterwards that she wanted a child. The athletics authorities responded instantly. Drechsler was told that this was forbidden until her career was over. However, as life changes for the country, so it has for the Drechslers. They have a son, and, at the age of 25, Frau Drechsler plans to return to international athletics this summer and to compete in the European championships in Split

Doctors on the run

ne of the great sporting events of the summer will, of course, be the World Doctors' Games. Yes, really: they take place in Perpignan. France, from June 17 to 23 and naturally it is serious. The Games are recognized by the International Olympic Committee. One oddity of the occasion is that there will be no statutory doping controls, though there is still the possibility of swoops on the unsuspecting medics.

Bullet-proof Arlott

he BBC has just issued a double alhum of John Arlott's cricket E commentaries. I am not a pursuer of nostalgia for its own sake but Arlott was a genius in his medium and he repays study. My favourite mot is not included: "That ball went championships. She recently told a through Boycott's defence like a bullet us. We own them for three months."

through a hole in a Henry Moore." But there is plenty more to delight: Clive Lloyd hitting a boundary "like a man knocking a thistle-top off with a walking stick." The genius was more in the simple vividness than in the excellent jokes. His spoken words are a treat as well as a lesson to all sport's media people. So, indeed, is one of Arlott's personal mottoes, C. L. R. James's famous line: "What do they know of cricket who only cricket

York City Football Club has a new sponsor: a fun pork and private 200. No, not Leeds United. The team is sponsored by Flamingo Land Funpark. The lads went over this week for heading practice with the dolphins.

Crying for Argentinians he polo fraternity is bracing

itself for another Argentinian summer. Argentinians are allowed to play here again, as the polo establishment betatedly put the Falklands War behind it in late 1988. Since then, the competition to acquire the best Argentinians is hotter than ever. The going rate for these dashing lads is. learn from June's Horpers and Queen, £1,000 per goal-rating per month. A 10-goal player, then, is on £10,000 a month for the five-month season "paid on top of accommodation, cars, expenses, ponies, equipment and a posse of female fans". One polo wife explained: "They eat with us, they train with us, they sleep with

Gower's role is still uncertain following recall By Alan Lee Cricket Correspondent **England** party DAVID Gower was vesterday

restored to the arena he should never have been asked to leave. After a winter spent wondering if his England career was over, promptly back in his rightful place for next week's Texaco Trophy internationals against

A telephone call from Graham Gooch, his friend and successor as captain, informed Gower that he had won parole from the harsh sentence meted out last autumn. As he has barely had the chance to demand a recall by weight of runs, the suspicion persists that his exile was either shortterm shock treatment or a

New Zealand.

hideous mistake.

Gower is included in a 13man party for the matches at Headingley, on Wednesday, and the Oval, two days later. Where he bats, or possibly even if he plays, will be dictated by events at likeston on Monday, when Wayne Larkins aims to prove, in a second team match, that he has recovered from a fractured finger. Neil Fairbrother has been put on stand-hy.

Larkins is lucky to be given such preferential treatment He has scored one run in three first-class innings this season and, apart from a century against Scotland, his one-day form is little better. His retention, with form and fitness under a cloud, may be loyal but is hardly logical.

It can be argued that Gower's treatment owes nothing to either loyalty or logic. He was omitted from winter tour plans in a callous fashion which showed no respect to onc of only three Englishmen to play 100 Tests and reflected little credit on the man-management of those in

He felt hurt and bewildered hut, admirably, he shut out the past and set his mind to the foture, moving home and changing counties in the close season. He expected, and said as much, that he would need to fight his way back. Yesterday, one sensed, he was surprised it had happened so

"Let's just say I was prefor having to wait a little longer," he said. But Micky Stewart has happened to watch me whenever I have made runs this season, which can't have done any harm.

"The new environment at week for permission to turn Hampshire has been helpful. Tynecastle over for residential It is impossible to say if I would have achieved this by hut we'll always cherish Tynecastle," Mercer stressed. staying where I was but it is a very happy atmosphere here." Gower witnessed Gooch's He reassured supporters: leadership style at first hand "Not one player will be sold to help finance the development this winter and says: "There is a new, stricter regime in the

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camp but I know I can adapt to that. There have been misconceptions in the past about my attitude to work."

Although he has frequently admitted that one-day cricket does not motivate him to the same degree as Test matches, Gower will not be short of incentives. "I don't think I will have any trouble with the adrenalin this time. I look at this as a stepping stone and I know it is important to make runs in these two games."

Gower will open with Gooch if Larkins is ruled out; otherwise, ironically, he will find himself contesting the last middle order place with the manager's son, Alec Stewart.

Derek Pringle has predictably been chosen to bat at No. 6 and act as the fifth bowler. It is a role he has filled adequately in one-day cricket in recent years. But the emergence of Graham Rose and the resurgence of lan Botham could be of greater interest later in the summer.

Others who are presumably being saved for the more serious business are Mike Atherion and Devon Malcolm, Lancashire's Atherton is in prolific form but it may be thought that his technique should not be compromised in overs cricket; Malcoim is England's fastest bowler but not their straightest. End of story.

Angus Fraser is being risked, despite playing only championship match since breaking down in the West Indies two months ago, and, with Hemmings's variety so valuable, the final bowling place will probably be between

• Leicestershire's Anstralian coach, Bobby Simpson, yesterday congragulated the Eng land selectors on picking pared for a different scenario, Lewis. "Chris is an exciting and talented player who is going to get even better," he said. "We have not seen the best of him yet hy any means He's a great choice."

> than £200,000 have been taken for the match at the Oval. No tickets will be available on the day except for Surrey members, who have been advised to book their seats before Wednesday to ensure entry.

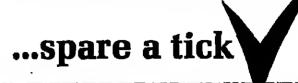
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One-day averages, page 46

Cook seven runs short of 1,000 after another 100

Wednesday, the Jimmy Cook Normal business had been they meet again. run machine was humming smoothly again yesterday. An unbeaten 117 against the New Zealanders was his third century in seven days and leaves. him only seven short of 1,000 runs, in all cricket, this season.

In first-class games alone, Cook bas made 567 runs at an average of 141.75 and, with a potential six further ionings available this month, a change of weather is the most obvious danger to his hopes of completing 1,000 before the end of May.

The quiet, modest South African will have particularly enjoyed yesterday'a innings. Like others from his country, Cook has had to maximize every opportunity of inter-national opposition. Test cricket would assuredly have suited his style and temperament but, deprived even of the ambition, he is limited to the personal fulfilment of making runs to games such as this.

That he made only 31 on Wednesday was eye-catching mediocrity by the standards he has set himself. Somehow, one instinctively knew that he would not miss out again. He resumed on 51 yesterday and the century was completed in an atmosphere of utter inevitability. As ever, Cook was clinical, correct and composed. His timing was immaculate, especially when allowed his trademark shot never have seen him bat through square leg. There before After this, their line

NORTHAMPTON: Warwick-shire beat Northamptonshire by

WARWICKSHIRE'S victory

with an innings to spare was quickly accomplished. The last three Northamptonshire wick-ets lasted only 35 minutes

yesterday morniog, adding 32 runs, providing Munton with two more scalps to add to the seven he had already collected and giving him his best haul at

Munton bowled throughout with rare staming and with

movement away from the bat sharp enough to have the best players in trouble. Now, as is often the way, he struck an early

blow with one of his few bad

balls, a long-hop outside the off stump to his second over of the

day, which Ripley fastened on

Like Muoton, Reeve had had

a match to remember. So, for

different reasons, had Ambrose

and Thomas. These two resisted long eoough to add 30 runs. Then Ambrose skied Donald to

Football Club, which owns

Headingley, has three weeks to

effect a compromise with the

city council following the

rejection of plans for a £4.4

million redevelopment of the

main stand at the Test ground.

Unless agreement can be

reached with the planning

put back at least a year and Alf

Davies, the cluh's chief exec-

utive, said yesterday that costs

could escalate to a prohibitive

Surfing blow

The only round of the world

surfing championship to take place in Britain, at Fistral Beach, Newquay, Cornwall in

August, is under threat after the withdrawal of the sponsor,

Jeff Fenech, Australian super

Sydney bospital for observation and his world title contest with

Juan Laporte, United Staes, for the WBC crown on May 26

postponed. He complained of

dizziness, sore throat and ear

The Crown-Chafes professional

cycling team, whose main

sponsor can oo longer guarantee backing, has paid the £1,650 registration fee to the world

governing body, FICP, which

will allow it to compete io the Milk Race starting on May 27.

Milk permit

atherweight, was admitted to a

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"We were staggered by the can do."

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authority, the scheme will be

Reeve in the gully.

an innings and 30 runs

By Alan Lee, Cricket Correspondent AFTER a rare splutter on were no frills, nothing fancy. might be slightly different if

To be brutally honest, Cook has been taxed far more severely by any number of county attacks than he was here. Mark Priest bowled a long spell of left-arm spin from one end but the fare from the other, featuring off spin from Jones, medium pace from Rutherford and comic impersonations from Martin Crowe, was charitable at best,

Burns, cutting against Priest, wascomfortably caught at slip, having made 59. His batting continues to develop. As a wicketkeeper who can make regular runs, he could be a serious candidate for interational one-day honours.

Rose, another with England pretensions, and better served by a more positive approach with the bat, made 59 of an unbroken stand of 98 in 58 minutes with Cook. He strikes the ball cleanly, with a full and vigorous style, and of his three sixes, one, against Priest, carried out of the ground at longon and into the river Tone.

Meanwhile, Cook was cruising unassumingly to his century io 217 minutes. He hit 17 fours, most of them off his legs, where the New Zealanders persisted in attacking him. They can be forgiven only inasmuch that they would

in the county championship.

Northants' finish

comes quickly

By Jack Bailey

Tavare delayed his declaration for five migutes after lunch, finally giving the touring side a demanding target of 322 in a minimum 59 overs. Scoring, early on, at only three an over, it looked beyond them but when the red-headed Hallett dismissed both openers, his first wickets in firstclass cricket, Martin Crowe and Jones increased the tempo in the best sunshine of the day.

SOMERSET: First Innings 343 for 6 dec (C J Tavará 156, R J Harden 104; M C Snedden 4 for 79).

Rose not out Extres (b 6, nb 2)

*C J Tavanb, R J Harden, I G Swratow, J C Hallett and A N Jones did not bat, FALL OF WICKETS: 1-23, 2-34, 3-48, 4-148. BOWLING: Milmow 8-1-35-1; Snedden 18-3-49-1; Rutherford 10-1-62-0; Priest 28.3-11-80-1; Jones 4-0-8-0; M O Crowe 5-1-16-0.

NEW ZEALANDERS: First lanings 278 for 3 dec (T J Franklin 103, A H Jones 57 not out, M O Crowe 55 not out).

†AC Parone, S A Thomson, M W Priest, M C Shedden and J P Millmow to bat. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-57, 2-64, 3-174, 4-201. Umpires: O J Constant and O R Shepherd.



Derbyshire stitched up by Lancashire spinners By Richard Streeton

any assistance from the pitch.

LANCASHIRE: First hungs 445 for 5 dec (G O Mends 90, M A America 93, N H Faithrother 63, T E Jesty 55 not out, P A J DeFrehas 79).

Every step they took was alive with determination. For Northamptonshire, it has been a differeot story. Perhaps their best momeot during the past four days was the sight of Lamb moving well, after his hamstring injury, as he ran round the boundary after the match. He seems coofident that he

will be fit to play against New Zealand in the first Texaco Trophy match starting next Wednesday. Micky Stewart, the Eogland manager, was there to receive the news at first hand.

WARWICKSHIPE: First Innings 473 for 9 too (D A Reeve 202 not out, A t Kellicherran 72, G C Small 55; A L Penbertly 4 for 81).

NORTHAMPTONISHIRE: First Innings 219 (T A Munton S for 33). A Fordham c Humpage b Mun n c Humpage b Munton . n c Small b Asif Din ____

Moles at mid-wicket; and Robinson had no pretentions about seeing out the rest of the Total 224
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-43, 2-127, 3-160, 4169, 5-181, 6-181, 7-187, 6-183, 3-223. day. Warwickshire could scarcely BOWLING: Munton 19.5-7-44-4; Small 7-1-34-0: Donald 14-2-45-1; Benjamin 9-2-23-0: Reeve 17-7-28-3; Smith 12-7-22-1; On this evideoce, they are well Umpires: 0 0 Osfeer and & Dudleston.

have met residents lo assuage

their fears about litter and

parking hut there seems to

have been some misunder-

standing which we have three

"We are employing our own refuse teams, cater for 1,300

car park places inside the

ground, and will be operating

six double-decker buses on a

free park-and-ride scheme

from a mile away for next

Wednesday's Texaco ioter-

national against New Zealand.

I don't know what more we

Friends and colleagues from

journalism and sport yeslerday

attended the funeral of Geoffre

Green, the former football

correspondent of The Times,

who died on May 9 aged 78. The address of Lawrie Pignon, the

former tennis correspondent of

the Daily Mail, at the St Mary the Virgio Parish Church in Twickenham, Middlesex, paid

particular tribute to Green's gift for journalism and making friendships wherever be

weeks to sort out.

Headingley danger

By Martin Searby

THE Leeds Cricket and Rugby decision," Davics said. "We

SPORT IN BRIEF

AFTER a promisiog start, Derbyshire lost wickets steadily yesterday as they chased a difficult target against Lancashire on the fourth and final day at Derby. Derbyshire had been left to make 309 in 3½ hours and 20 overs, but by tea half the side were out with 155 on the board.

On a bitterty cold day the pitch had not deteriorated as much as expected. Atherton and Fitton, the Lancashire spinners, again proved effective against batsmen, more than one of whom contributed to his own

Derbyshire made a confident start before lunch wheo Barnett and Morris made 40 together from seven overs. DeFreitas, in particular, was unable to find any direction or control. When the two spinners joined the attack after the interval, both, initially, bowled too short and were forcibly driven or pulled by

the batsmen. The score was 64 wheo the pattern started to change with Barnett, Kuiper and Morris dismissed in succession, partly through their own mistakes. Barnett tried to whip Fitton away to the legside too soon against a ball Finon had held back and Allott took a straightforward catch at midwicket.

Kuiper, oo whom so much depended, was bowled by Atherron at 99 when he went back to out a ball which went straight on. Morris, looking as if he would play the required big innings, reached a half century in 53 balls, with nine fours, before he was out. He tried to sweep Fillon bul only succeeded in playing the ball into his stumps and the game had swung

towards Lancashire. Adams drove and pulled both spinners confidently before Athertoo changed ends and Hughes used his left-arm spin for the first time in the match, in his third over Hughes got one 10 straighten as Adams tried 10 turn him to the legside and he

Worse was to come for Derby-shire when Atherton bowled Roberts in the last over before

tea as the batsmao played over a well-flighted ball. Wheo play Extras (5 3, 75 11) Total (3 wids dec) 172
PAJ DeFreites, J O Fitton, D P Hughes, P
J W Allott, TW K Hegg and P J Martin 6id resumed Hughes had Goldsmith caught low at short extra as he First thing Lancashire, resuming at 31 for two, batted a further 80 minutes as they added 91 runs. Atherton and FALL OF WICKETS: 1-10, 2-45, 3-141. BOWLING: Jean-Jacques 19-2-55-2; Base 8-1-30-0; Miller 19-6-45-0; Barnet 6-0-28-0. Fairbrother completed their sec-ond fifties in the match against bowlers who were unable to get

0-28-0.
DERBYSHME: First Innings 309 (K J Barnett, S J Base 54; M A Athenton 5 for 95).
Second Innings
"K J Barnett c Alort b Frition 33
J E Mortis b Fition 52
A P Kulper b Athenton 13
P D Bowler not out 54 Atherton was run out at 141 by a good piece of work by Total (6 wids) Second Immings
G O Mendes c and b Jean-Jacques 4
D Fower c Roberts b Jean-Jacques . 23

Roberts b Atherion
C Goldsmith c Mendis b Hughes
M Krikken not out 5.1 Base, M.Jean-Jacques and G Miller to FALL OF WICKETS: 1-64, 2-69, 3-103, 4-

Worcester IAN Botham will return to the Worcestershire side today, just over a formight after a knee

Botham is

back for

Ilott and

Seymour

maintain

tradition

By Geoffrey Wheeler ESSEX, who have such an

enviable reputation for produc-

ing talented young cricketers

an Essex declaration at 155 for

two set the university a victory

stiff target.
Ward reached a hundred from 84 balls, having hit a six and 15

fours, and went past his pre-vious best score of 145, made against Oxford last season, as be outscored his partner, Darren

20 overs.

operation, for the match with Essex, who floished only six poiots behind the champions last season, despite having 25 points deducted by the TCCB (Geoffrey Wheeler writes).

The availability of Botham is specially welcome, because Worcestershire are still without raeme Hick, who has a broken finger. Also returning are the wicketkeeper, Steve Rhodes, after three weeks out of the side because of a fractured thumh, and Tim Curtis and Graham Dilley, who missed the defeat by the New Zealanders.

Essex include the young all-rounder, Nadeem Shahid, and the off spinner, Peter Such, in

YESTERDAY'S OTHER SCOREBOARDS

Yorkshire v Zimbabweans

Total (2 wkts dec) .

YORKSHIRE: First Innings 298 for 9 dec (M O Maxor 130, C S Pickes 54 nor out). Second Innings 147 (P J Second Innings Second Innings Second Innings

Total (6 wids) .

E A Brandes, K O Duers and L E Dube to ost. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-28, 2-32, 3-33, 4-82, 5-84, 6-134. Umpires: 8 Leedbeater and K J Lyons.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-57, 2-63. BOWLING: Brenes 6-1-23-0; Dube 6-1-22-0; Duers 13-3-48-0; Butchart 10-1-39-1; Brent 2-9-0. Cambridge University v Essex

FERNIER S (third day of three): Essax best Cambridge University by 120 runs ESSEX: First Innings 319 for S dec (P J Princhard 116, J P Stephenson 58, D R

not be: FALL OF WICKETS: 1-155, 2-155. BCWUNG: Jenkins 14-3-48-0; Johnson 4-1-23-0; Pyman 16-5-35-2; Lewrey 8-0-22-0; Buzza 5-1-17-0. CAMBRIOGE UNIVERSITY: First fimings 201 R Heap 50, J C M Abdreson S1).

Second Innings
S P James libe b liet
R Heap live b liet
R A Pyman b liet
J C M Attenson c Pringle b liet
M J Lowrey b Such
M J Lowrey b Such
M J Morris c Garnham b Andrew
G B Dyer c Pringle b Topiey
TJ Arraco c Herdie b Pringle
A J Buzza c Herde b liet
R H W Jenkins libe b Such
S W Johnson not out

IS3 ALL OF WICKETS: 1-13, 2-23, 3-24, 4-1, 5-32, 8-76, 7-97, 8-100, 8-150. BOWLING: Andrew 12-1-34-1; Bots 16-2-43-5; Topley 11-2-29-1; Childs 16-9-18-0; Such 8.1-5-6-2; Pringle 9-3-11-1. Umpires: 0 I Burgess and J W Holder.

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PROPESSIONAL HANSCHOS: 1, L. Fignon (Fr), 694.85pts; 2, C. Mebset (Fr), 885.47; 3, Y. Románger (Switzer, 735.59; 4, P. Delgado (Fo), 710.52; 5, G. Bugno (fr), 850.23; 6, S. Kelly (Report Fra), 898.97; 7, M. Indurent (Sp), 596.64; 8, S. Scrensen (Den), 586.58; 8, M. Fondriset (fr), 576.17; 10, M. Glorarmetti (ft), 572.66.

SPEEDWAY

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Four-term four-nements: Edinburgh: First leg: Edinburgh 32, Glasgow 26, Newcastle 22, Brawlich 16, Ipamicht Second leg: Ipamich 38, Hackney 25, Hye House 22, Arms Essex 10 (agg: Ipamich 58, Hackney 57, Tye House 41, Arms Essex

CHALLENGE MATCH: First leg: Middless brough 56, Peterborough 39.

TENNIS

LEEDS: LTA restonal ratings toursement: Marc Saral-Strat: M Cahort M S Holl, 7-5, 6-3.

Oxford U v Surrey OXFORD UNIVERSITY: First lovings 322 for 8 dac (R E Morris 95, M A Crawley 80; M P Bicknell 4 for 80).

M P Bicknell 4 for 80).
Second finnings
O A Hagen c Ward b Mediycott
'R E Monts c Stewart b Mediycott
I Henderson c Ward b Mediycott
G J Turner b Mediycott
M A Crawley c Ward b Kendrick
P O Lurn at Werd b Kendrick
M J Kilborn not out
H R Devise not out
Extras (b 7, lb 5, nb 1)

Total (5 wkts dec) _______, 207
P.S. Gerrans, S.O. Weste and †J. McGrady old not bet. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-55, 2-52, 3-72, 4-141, 5-151, 6-196. 141, 5-151, 6-195.

BOYLING: M J Bicknell 7-1-18-0; Robinson 2-0-14-0; Greig 5-1-15-0; Mediyoott 25-5-59-3; Kendrick 25-4-79-3.

SURREY: First Innings
G S Clinton c and b Tumer 29
0 J Bicknell b Crawley 33
A J Stewart c Crawley 5 Gerrans 24
M A Lynch not out 81

Total (3 wids dec) 222 †OMWard, "I A Greg, K T Mediyoott, N M Kendrick, M P Bicknell and J O Robinson

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-64, 2-64, 3-99. BCWLNG: Henderson 9-1-24-0; Gerrant 13-1-50-1; Grawley 19-5-29-1; Turner 16 4-54-1; Davies 7-1-25-0; Weste 5-0-36-0.

5econd innings †D M Ward not out _____ O J Bicknell not out ____ Extras ...

FOR THE RECORD

ATHLETICS FOOTBALL FA CUP: Fire1, replay: Crystal Palace 0, Manchester Unriad 1 (all Wenchey). SWEDISH LEAGUE: AM Stockholm 1, Dlurgaarden IF 0; IFK Norrisoping 2, Onebro SK 2; GAS Gothenburg 0, IFK Gorbrisburg 1; Harmarby 3, IK Brage 1; Maltho FF 0, Crgryte 15 2; Oster Vary 0, Hellmitstad BK 0, GREEK CUP: Fleet Olympistos 4, OFI Creta 2 (in Affren). (in Athens).
PORTUGUESE CUP: Senti-final replay: Estata Amadora 2. Guimaros 1 (aet).
OTHER MATCH: Shutgert VRO 2. United Arab Circles and Control of the Control o

AMERICAN LEAGUE: Mixuluse Brawers 6, Castomie Angais 3: Seattle Muriners 14, Teronio Blue Jeys 6; Minnesota Twins 4, New York Yankees 1: Chrosgo White Sox 7, Baltimore Chicles 3: Detroit Tigero 7, Tesas Rangers 5 (Darnol. Natrional League: St Louis Cardinals 3, Cincinnal Reds 6; Allunta Braves 6, Pittsburgh Pintes 1; Houston Astros 5, Chicago Cubs 4 (11 imms).

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION (NBA): Western Conference: Play-offs, semi-first: Sen Arto-nio Spurs 112, Portland Traiblazers 97 (best-

BOWLS

COUNTY MATCH: Warwickstire 162, Dorset Tourists 90. Placepot: £5,610.40. Jackpot: not won.

mot 5250.50

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4.15 (im) 1, Express Account (G Baxter, 10-1; 2, Island Wedding (5-2 lav); 3, Preset (25-1), 17 nm. 5, XL R Williams, Tota: £7,00; £2,30, £1,80, £11,30, DF; £5,30, CSF; £36,05.

PORT WORTH, Texas: Colonial tournament: Leading Emit-round access (US unless street; 6t R Occirus, 6t C Revin, 6th R Zokol, T Purtzer, 2 Maylah, J Mehatley, 2 Hoch, 6th C Strange, C Byrum, 2 Utley, 6th M Webe, R Back, C Dorrins, 2 McCaffeter, 2 Crenshaw, L Roberts, K Perry, J Huston.

High Point, North Caroline Pet dradies Western's International (modified stableford): Leading freshootal scores (US unless stated; 1197s; M Nause, 10: O Richard, 6: J Arkster, M Pigueras-Cott (Stg.), 2 Turner, & M Poyer, 3 Deniel, 7: E Crosby, 3 Muncha, 6: T-J Myers, C Garring, N Rensbottom, British scores 2: P Wright, 1: C Pierce, -3: T Johnson, -5: L Devies.

WOODBROOK, Dublin: High PGA champ-lonating: First resent: 79: O Smyth (Golf det Sur), 71: J Heogarty (Retimore), T Murphy (Solf stock), 72: C O'Cornor Jun (Staley Has), E Darry (Dolgarty), O Jones (Longiellow Golf), A O'Cornor (Ward), 3 McGovern (Portmantoch), E Logue (Knockbracken), 73: P Leenard (Dunmury), L Robinson (Standoran), K Dely (Greystanes).

HEXHAM: Northern women's clemeptoniship: Lincashire 4%, Northerbertand 4%; Cheek-ire 7, Darlam 2; Yorkshire 8, Cumbria 1. AlbSUCHO, Japan: Rien's borniquest: Laud-log, Bret-round source: 67: T. Nakamura (Japan), Marsano (Japan), Second round carcaled due to rein; tournement shortened to 54 holes.

KASUGAL, Japan: Wossen's leurnament. Lauding first-round scores (Japanese unlöss stated): 89: E lahtosid. 87: Hurrig Yush-chun (Talvan). 80: Kim Man-eo (S Kor). 70: M Oda, M Sugimoto, K Maruya.

United States PGA TOUR: Leading morey-wiscers (US unless stated): 1, G Norman (Aug., \$721,488 (about \$485,690); 2, M Calcavectris, \$832,744; 2, P Stewart, \$904,491; 4, P Azinger, \$516,311; 5, F Couples, \$518,295; 7, B Gernez, \$359,824; 8, P Jacobsen, \$252,585; P Gernez, \$359,824; 8, P Jacobsen, \$252,585; 9, S Bidryten, \$900,002; 10, M O'Meara, \$327,501; 11, T Simpson, \$313,381; 12, O Morgan, \$307,422, British phodegar 16, N Felcio, \$269,517; 107, 1 Woosnern, \$52,795; 121, A Lyle, \$44,457.

MODERN PENTATHLON PARIS: Women's Intercultionet: 1. P. Swarts (Dort). S.327 pts; 2. M. Posi (Hurt). 5,311; 3. S. Cax (GS). 5.116. Other British phesisger B, H. Mcholes, 4,326; 11, L. Kpling, 4,505; 23, M. Kimberrey, 4,124, Teast: 1, Hungary.

Lucky bounce for

Ballesteros ends sponsor's gloom

seem to bave found two more THE thunder rolled and the rain good ones in Mark Ilott and threatened, and in the sponsor's Adam Seymour, who both re-turned career-best performances in yesterday's defeat of Camtent the mood was of dark apprehension. Seve was down, and almost out. What would bridge University by 120 runs at they do in the final two days of their tournament if their star Seymour, aged 22, an old boy of Millfield, unfurled a string of fine strokes in scoring 89 before attraction was on a plane home

In the event, Severiano Ballesteros allayed the organizers' fears on the second day of the Italian Open here yes-terday, but the bearts were still target of 274 in 210 minutes plus flott, aged 19, a left-arm fast-medium bowler from Watford fluttering some time afterwards. It had been a close-run thing.
The scenario was simple.

who many see as the natural successor to John Lever, then Ballesteros was four over par got to work by taking four of the first five wickets which fell for with seven to play, nowhere near good enough to make the cut; and if he failed, it would make a telephone-number in-32 at a personal cost of 10 runs. He ended with five for 43 as Essex were taken ioto the extra half hour by a stubborn inning by Lowrey, last man out for 69.

vestment worthless.
Ballesteros was struggling with a radical change in his swing, and he was not being saved by his putting. And then came the huge stroke of luck that even a golfing genius oeeds from time to time. There was much more excitement in the Parks where David Ward, promoted to open the batting for Surrey after they had been set 308 in 100 minutes plus 20 overs 10 beat Oxford University, responded with a remark-able display of bitting as the county side raced towards this

I felt it. But the pressure is like that every week: I'm used to it now." He said it with a wan smile, rather like a man who bas just told you he's grown accustomed to having an impacted

wisdom tooth. Another who must be feeling pressure is the tournament leader, Richard Boxall, who broke the course record he had established the day before with a round of 64 and a total of 129, 15 under par. But it was difficult

to detect.

Boxall, an engaging 29-yearold, who is possessed of a countenance oo which a grin is never far away, started from the 10 and within two holes had boled an eight-iron from 139 yards for an eagle two to majotain the momentum he had

established the day before.
Two more birdies followed to take him to the turn io 32, and only one dropped shot on the third marred an ioward half of 32 which included five more

Boxall still faces high quality opposition, ootably from José-Maria Olazabal and Craig Stadler, who shares second place, seven shots behind. It from time to time.

He had already birdied the 12th hole to claw one stroke back when be stepped up to hit his tee shot oo the 14th, a sharply dog-legged par five of 510 yards. His drive went into a fairway bunker; he nipped a

sharply dog-legged per five of 510 yards. His drive went into a fairway bunker: he nipped a stwo-iron cleanly off the sand and watched in disappointment as his second landed in a greenside trap. From there he played a shot that he admitted was not hit properly, it bounced once and disappeared ioto the hole. An eagle three. He was oo his way.

Less than an hour later two more hirdies helped him to come in with a 68, which when added to his first-round 75 put him one under par. The panic, at last, was over.

As he sat and talked of his round, Ballesteros was moved into a mood of revelation. "If had missed the cut it would not be a disaster for me," he said. "But if I missed the cut it would not be addisaster for me," he said. "But if I missed the cut it would be bad for the sponsors, bad for the people who come lo see me play.

To be caught — and if he is, it will surely out he Severiano and if he is, it will surely out he Severiano allesteros who does the surely out he said. "But if I missed the cut it would not be a disaster for me," he said. "But if I missed the cut it would be bad for the sponsors, bad for the people who come to see me play.

TV acolyte bursts forth to lead open

By John Hennessy

FROM an entry bristling with on duty. The rest was obscurity interoationals, home and until yesterday, abroad, a little known Essex He got to the turn in four ptayer, Jon Robsoo, sprang to under par, having dropped 3 prominence with a 67, five shot at the 2nd where a pulled under par, at Burnham and

English open amateur stroke-play championship back in the clubbouse, not one other player had broken the par of 72 for the 6,680-yard course and few of those still playing seemed to harbour such an ambition.

A four at the last (449 yards) would have equalled Peter Baker's record, set in 1986, hut Robson was a victim almost of his own success. Hovering over his second, he disgarded a fiveiron to favour of a six "because the adrenalio was ruoning' It was not quite enough, for the ball drifted right into a hunker and, although he played a fine shot from the sand Over a

steep lip, the 20ft putt slipped Robson, a part-time green-grocer, aged 22, is another golfer who first drew inspiration from images on the box - "Trevino and Nicklaus and that crowd".

At the age of 10 he raided the piggy bank to acquire an £8.50 Sam Snead pitching wedge. For four years he knew no other golf club and used to pitch onto the cricket square of the local club, mostly when the light began to fade and no grouodsman stood

two-iron off the tee forced him to lay up. He made three birdies With half the field for the to the turn aod, strikingly, an aglish open amateur stroke-ay championship back in the where he hit a three-iron second to 25ft. Two more birdies, at the 14th and 15th, put him in direct line for the course record but the 18th, as in Thursday's qualifying, defeated him.

Among the early starters only

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Colin Edwards, four times the Somerset champion, offered any threat to Robson. He was three shot at all three finishing holes. driving into a bunker at 16, needing a third putt at 17 and suffering an unkild kick into a gully at 18. Jonaathan Hodgson, a

painter and decorator ("mostly in the wioter") also matched par, thanks to an eagle three at the 15th (479 yards). With a helping wind he hil a one-iron 230 yards to within 10ft and holed the putt.

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LEADING FIRST-ROUND SCORES: 57: J
Robson (Orsett). 72: J S Hodgson
(Tytherington). C S Edwards (Bath). 73: G
S Pooley (Aldenhem). 74: G Evans
(Worthing, E A McIntosh (Turnhouse), R
Searie (Nigh Post). 75: G Clark (Rochtord
Hundred). O G Lane (Goring and
Streatley), N Leconte (Berkhemsied), C
Tingey (Mid Heris), O Edmond [Fr], D C
Hodgson (Stoke Poges), S Granam (Ham
Menor), C Pottler (Fr). 76: F Gooveerts
(Neth).

Collinson's birdie burst shatters course record

By a Special Correspondent ROBERT Collinson, aged 30. Woosnam and Seve Ballesieros

from Gourock, shattered the Nairn Dunbar course record with a remarkable eight-underpar 63 in the third round, to make a significant move up the leader board in the £20,000 Clydesdale Bank Northero

Collinson, a former Sconish assistants' champion, achieved his score, a record for the Tartan Tour, with an amazing run of even successive birdies from the eighth hole. It was a burst that almost equalled the European Tour best of eight consecutive birdies, held by lan

ATHLETICS Second chance for Ashburn BRIAN Ashburn, of Clydebank, who was denied a Scottish long

jump record in the first Panasonic Scottish League match because there was no wind gauge and the low level of the sand in the pit, has a chance to redeem the situation at Crownpoint Stadium, Glasgow tomorrow, when he competes for Clydebank in the second of the season's first division league

The Crownpoint pit is considered to be one of the better ones in the country and Ashhum should be well capable of repeating the 7.55 metres he achieved at the Dam Park, Ayr, Iwo

native-born Scots in meetings in Scotland.

It was a score that gave him a six-under-par aggregate of 207, only four behiod the joint-leaders. Colin Brooks and Fraser Mann, going into the final round. Brooks, aged 24, the defending chemical band. defeoding champion, had started the day a shot ahead, but losi that advantage after firing a 69 compared to Mann's 68. Mann, aged 30, of Ballater, had been struggling during the early part of his round, hut covered the last six holes in a splendid five-under-par. LEADING THIRD-ROUND SCORE

LEADING THIRD-ROUND SCORES: 204: C Brooks (Chescor), 67, 58, 69: F Mann Ballaten, 69: 87, 68. 207: R CORneson (Gourock), 72, 72, 63, 208: S Martin (North Expineerna), 74, 69, 66: B Barnes (West Chittington), 72, 68, 68: P Lyons (Sundridge Park), 73, 68, 67: G Farr (Ludkow), 70, 67, 71, 210: R Weir (Cow8), 58, 71, 71, 211: J King (Worksop), 69, 73, 68, 212: J Chitias (String), 68, 67; C Imiah (unattached), 72, 73, 67: P Hinton (Radcliffe-on-Trent), 74, 71, 67: W Guy (Buchañan Castle), 71, 71, 70: K Stables, 72, 69, 71, 213: K Watker (Kings Links), 71, 72, 70: A McCusen (Turnberry), 72, 71, 70; P Lawre (Banchory), 69, 73, 71.

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Track opener SANTANDER: International meeting: Meets
300m: 1, P Silvet (GS), 1mm 45 205ec; 2, J
Serr (Kan), 1,47.03: 3, J Arconada (So),
147.18, 1,900m: 1, J Lotol (Ken), 222.41: 2, J
Sedwin (GS), 220.72: 3, P Energ (Ken),
220.78, 3,900m: 1, M Fowland (GS), 7:53.25,
2, A Anton (Sp), 7:53.43: 3, J Kärusia (Ken),
7:53.85, 5000m: 1, E Selox (Ken), 1-3.29, 19: 2,
M Fiz (Sp), 1302.45; 3, A Gomez (Sp),
1348.63, Long jumps: 1, A Hermandez (So),
7:54m; 2, Yussad All (Nigena), 7:91: 3, S
Faulture (GS), 7:77. Pole vautit: 1, P Colleg
(Fr), 5:59; 2, J Gertal Chico (Sp), 5:50: 3, I
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(Fr), 5:59; 2, J Gertal Chico (Sp), 5:50: 3, I
Paradinus (Sp), 1:1, 18ec. 1829: 1, 3 Nicholson
(GS), 4min 38,38ssc. Brahim Boutayeb, of Morocco, the Olympic 10,000 metres champion, lines up to the 5,000 metres at Sao Paulo tomorrow against the Kenyans, Peter Koech and Charles Cherityot, in the season's opening Grand Prix athletics meeting. Ana Quirot, of Cuba, winner of 19 races over 800 metres last year, is also in the impressive line-up. Green tribute

BASEBALL

BASKETBALL

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CRICKET RAPID CRECKETLINE SECOND I/J CHAMP-IONES/RP: Trent Bridge: Goucestershire 147 (K P Evans 4-35) and 182 (G Hodgson 80: K P Evans 5-33), Nothinghamshire 216 (S M Brogen 62). Liverpool: Derbyshire 149 (Waster Alkems 5-36) and 86-4: Lenesthire 322 (R Irant 60: O G Cork 4-95, E McCray 4-50).

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LATE RACING RESULTS

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weeks ago. That was 7 centimetres better than Ken McKay's record for

The national record - which can be set anywhere hy athletes eligible to represent Scotland of 7.67m sei by Dave Walker has stood since 1968 and could also be within the range of Ashburn, who was unlucky to miss out on selection for Scotland's sprint relay team in the Commonwealth Games in

Ashurst freed Jack Ashurst, the Doncaster Rovers captain who has made

England's most impressive referee intends to be a controlling figure in the World Cup finals

The man in black takes an encore

for

ea man who has

NO ONE who witnessed the performance of the American referee in the receot match between the Republic of Ireland and the Soviet Uoion in Dublin can look forward to the World Cup with equanimity. "I'm afraid the standard of referceing in the World Cup could be scandalous," ooe Irish player said

"Who knows what that ref would have been like if the boots were flying? The only referees who can cope when the boots are flying are the English, because they are used to a physical game."

Sometimes, as at Wembley oo Thursday and Roker Park on Sunday, English referees can seem too used to physical games, virtually ignoring mayhem. There is no fear of that happening wheo George Courtney is around, as the contrast between events in the volatile atmosphere at St James' Park on Wednesday and the FA Cup finalon Thursday illustrates.

While things at Wembley got out of hand, on Tyneside, Courtney showed be was in control from the start and oot even the pitch invasioo disturbed his easy authority. It was an impressive performance and there can be no fears about his choice as the English representative oo the World Cup panel for the second successive

"I'm not frightened of taking on responsibility," he said. "I think I'm flexible. I'll share a joke with a player, which sometimes doeso't work and I fall flat on my face. There are varieties of approach, but there is one essential question: did he have control? You never see the top English referees lose control.

He had his moments of controversy earlier in his career. Io the 1980 FA Cup final, his decisioo to book, oot send off, Willie Young, of Arsenal, for the so-called "pro-fessional" foul which denied Paul Alleo a goal, was an important factor io the FA's advice that such fouls should be treated as sending-

Courtney did oot take that advice to heart if his subsequeot actions were anything to go by. He only booked Bruce Grobbelaar for scything down Gordon McQueen near the touchline as Manchester United broke free in the 1983 Milk Cup

He has come a long way, although he was always in the fast lane. In 1974, he enjoyed his first senior FA Cup match. It was at Old Trafford. This is your cup final, isn't it soo?" Tommy Docherty said.

There have been bigger occasioos since, with three European finals, both domestic finals and, in Mexico, the third place play-off between France and Belgium, "That was a beautiful game because there was no pressure, but it was one step away referee the final. I must be the only



Flag of convenience: Courtney runs the line at Rochdale as part of his preparation for the World Cup finals in Italy

Englishman who wants Bohby Robsoo to do well up to the semi-final and oo further.

If Courtney fulfils that ambition, it at least would mean the final will be io good hands, for he is probably refereeing better than ever. His other ambitioo, "to be the first referee kept oo to 65" may be less likely, but be clearly has several years left in him. The days when an assessor described him as "ebullient" have passed."I'm still as fit, but I use it better. I used to be knackered after 20 minutes, I was running around so much because I

was so desperate to keep cootrol." A beadmaster in a primary school in Spennymoor io his other life ooe would be tempted to say in his spare time if he did not clearly devote as much energy to his charges as to his refereeing commitments - his referecing is magisterial in the best sense, his authority all

"It's all down to levels of acceptability, concocting ways of selling decisions to people," be said. "I'm a salesman really. But perhaps because all the players have grown up knowing me, there is a mutual trust and respect which is a great help. The days of the old, authoritarian headmaster are going aoyway. Yoo are much more of a democrat as a headmaster oowadays than they used to be."

That clearly fits Courtney's own preference, but players know better than to try to take advantage of his relaxed approach. He is a consummate professional, working, and training under the guidance of Kevio Archer, as hard oo his refereeing as any full-time foot-baller, and he resents being described as an amateur.

"I'm a professional. I had pre-

vears and vears shaping myself and my personality as a referee, with all the nights training and the nights given over to the other side of the job, the educational side, attending referee's society meetings and lec-nures. One-and-a-half hours oo a Saturday is the fulfilment of hours of sweat."

The day we met, Courtney was oo his way to Rochdale to run the line, FIFA requiring their World Cup squad to have five refresher games as linesmen before arrival in Italy. His third match in seven days was a stark contrast to the two previous games, the European Cup semi-final in Marseilles, followed by the Liverpool v Crystal Palace semi-final at Villa Park, but his preparatioo and professional approach was equally serious.

"lo the last five years, the

referee in terms of prepariog. Our fitness has to be without question.

"I'm talking at all levels now from European semi-finals to the fourth division. In Marscilles, the pace was quite intimidating, the commit-ment at speed is incredible, which causes huge problems for officials in determining intent."

But Couriney insists that overall the game is easier to referee than it was when he began at the beginning of the Seventies. "There are very few difficult players," he said, laughingly refusing to name them, because the over-the-top merchants have gone.

The Wimbledon style is difficult in a way because the ball is to the air so much, and there are more arms being used in the game than ever before. But it makes for an exciting game. I doo't care what systems are hitious, I want to go to Italy and the more imposing for being quietly referee the final, I must be the only refereed.

In the best sense, his authority all pared for the semi-final for mooths, increasing pace and physical being used as long as I'm in control, and I'm a professional in my commitment in the game put a and I enjoy refereeing teams like

Up for the cup and __ looking towards the next century

From a Special Correspondent

IN THE eight years since the Nadonal League Cup competition was introduced, Kingussie have made it very much the title for the first time last gussie have made it very much their own, winning five times in six appearances, including the

When they meet this year's opponents from the south of Scotland, Glenorchy, they must be favoured to continue their winning sequence and collect a magnificent silver salver from David McCarthy, the chairman of Marine Harvest, the largest fish-farming company in the world and sponsors of the league

championships.
As these leagues operate separately in the north and the south of the country, today's event is the culmination of achieve-ments throughout the season, with the winners of the north division one title meeting their

division one title meeting their southern counterparts.

Kingussie narrowly earned the right to defend the trophy, finishing one point ahead of Skye in the elosest contest for the title inyears. Glenorchy have had an even more difficult road to the Bught Park, Inverness: they woo a play-off against Oban Camanachd by the narrowest margin on Monday evening to become south chamevening to become south cham-pions for the first time and earn their first appearance in a senior

cup final.

The history of both teams' achievements in recent years is similar, both have pursued a vigorous youth policy, building on the successes of pupils who play logether in primary school competitions. Kingussie, for long nvershadowed by their near-neighbours, Newtonmore, owe much to the talents of tan

outstanding players in the last twn decades.

By careful coaching and rigorous training, they have built up a side — and with sufficient

Ross and Donnie Grant,

reserves — to overcome almost all npposition.

Glenorchy, who come from Dalmally, a small village 25 miles from Oban, have followed a parallel course. Most of the players in the side were in the team which won the MacKay Cup for primary schools 10

years ago.
Although they may not have had such distinguished coaches, they have, over the past few years, provided the main apposition to Kyles Athletic, who

The arrival in the village of Carol Grey, a schoolteacher with an interest in fitness training in the care of the ing, is the key to their achieve-ment this season. Ironically she, as the only female coach of a top hern

as the only female coach of a top shinty club, will not be with them today as she has a long-standing educational commitment with the next generation of pupils who could be Glenorchy's stars in the next century. Kingussie will field the side which won the first of this season's main trophies: the season's main trophies: the Bank of Scotland MacTavish Cup at the same venue last month. Their lesding goalscorer, Kevin Thain, who has more than 30 goals to his has more than 30 goals to his credit this season, returns after being concussed by one of his colleagues to the quarter-final of the Glenmorangie Camanachd Trophy against Skye a fortnight ago. He has indicated that he will be wearing a hurling-style helmet to avoid a repeat of such a mishap.

Jimmy Gow, after injury, rejoins his midfield colleagues, Rory Fraser, Ally Dallas, Ross Grant and Dave Anderson, to ensure that it continues to be the

ensure that it continues to be the powerbouse of yet another.

Glennrchy are under no illusion as in the daunting task they undertake, but claim they are going to loverness to enjoy themselves. The strength of their talent can be measured by the fact that in a new series of junior shinty/hurling inter-nationals against Ireland they have collected no fewer than-eight Scottish caps.

While they may not have the

collective talent which is avail-able to Kingussie, they have outstanding forwards in Keith MacIntyre and Des McNulty and stalwart defenders in the veteran Dougie Livingstone and Allan MacKechnie

pected to reach Southamptoo

notil late on Mooday, with the divisioo three yachts following

on Thursday or Friday. Tracy Edwards, the skipper of

will be a change tonight which will allow us to tack and go the

way we want to."

Thomson, S Bonthwick, R Fra Dallas, J Gow, R Grant, O Ander Bonthwick, K Thain, A Meckeac. S Clark, R Jones, B Shaw, Reference B Davies (Fort William).

YACHTING

Rothmans speeds nearer to leaders

By Barry Pickthall The lighter winds mean that, the first arrivals are not ex-

AS THE leading yachts his light headwinds in the Western Approaches yesterday, the battle to win the final stage of the Whitbread Round the World race spring wide open.
After a week of playing second

fiddle to their New Zealand the Briosh entry, Maiden, re-rivals on Fisher & Paykel, Peter ported yesterday that conditions Blake and his crew aboard
Steinlager 2 were back in the
lead. However, the gap was a
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Steinlager 2 was oo the opposite
The wind is only 13 knots from
the East and we can't steer nur
required course. We bope there tack to Grant Daltoo's yacht and making two knnts less speed, her lead may have been brief. Pierre Fehlmann's Swiss sloop, Merit, leapfrogged three boats overnight to take third

place and narrow the gap on the leaders to 20 miles.

Rothmans, the leading British maxi, which must beat Merit into Southampton by 81/2 bours to take third place overall, continued to set the fastest speed yesterday to move up to fourth, an equal distance from the finish to the Spanish entry

Fortuna.
This Visiers designed ultralight does not perform well in light airs and is expected to drop back, leaving the two New Zealand ketches, Merit and Rothmans to fight it out as they have done on each of the previous five legs.

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LEADING POSITIONS (at 10:58 GMT. yesterday, with miles to Sountampton); Maxie divisione: 1, Steininger 2 (P Birsko, NZ), 782 miles; 2, Fisher & Paylol (G Defton, NZ), 765; 3, Menit (P Ferlmann, Switz), 762; equal 4, Hothmens (L Smith, GB) and Fortune (J Santane, Sol, 803: 6, The Card (F Nilson, Swe), 613; 7, Balmont Finland (H Harkimo, Fin), 627; 8, Fazzisi (V Alexsee), 839; 9, UBF Finland (L Ingvall, Fin), 1,024; 10, Gatorade (H Jan, R), 1,032; 11, Liverpool Enterprise (B Salmon, GB), 1,034; 12, NCB Ireland (J English, Ire), 1,071; 13, Charles Jourdan (A Gabbey, Fr), 1,102; 14, Sarbucke British Defender (Cdr C Wattins, GB), 1,167, Division 2: 1, Equity & Law (D Nauta, Neth) 936, Bivision 3: 1, L'Esont de Liberte (P Taberty, Fr), 1,145; 2, Rusanor Sport (B Dubols, Bell, 1,256; 3, Maiden (T Edwards, GB), 1,314; 4, Schlussel von Bremen (H Muller-Hothik, Wg), 1,390; 5, La Poste (D Maile, Fr), 1,575. Cruiser divisios: 1, Creightons Naturally (J Chittenden, GB), 1,551; 2, With Integrity (A Coghill, GB) 1,726.

MOTOR RALLYING

to pole

By Stephen Slater

THE two Mercedes Benz sports cars, driven by Jean-Louis Schlesser, of France, and Jochen Mass, of Germany, headed the British Jaguars of Martin Brundle and Andy Wallace in the battle for pole position in the first qualifying session of the Empire Trophy world sports car championship race at Silverstone, which takes place

tomorrow.

The leading Mercedes, which will be driven by Schlesser and Mauro Baldi, the Italian, in the 300-mile race, lapped the track at an average speed of more than 148mph, in 1min 12.073sec, two seconds inside the track record and a second faster than the

leading Jaguar.
The cars have a second qualifying session today and the Mercedes team, although confident of success, are facing pressure from Jaguar and the Porsche driven by Jonathan Palmer and Tiff Needell. The Nissan of Kenny Achesoo and Julian Bailey also looks promis-ing, although they were unable

to match the pace of the Mercedes in practice. "Mercedes were running a lot of boost through their turbo-chargers. Bailey said, after qualifying in sixth place. "We can't match that io qualifying, but when all the teams reduce boost to complete the race on our fuel allocation it will be a

CHALIFYING THIES: 1, Mercedes Benz (Schlesser end Baidi), Imin 12.073sec; 2, Mercedes (Mass and Schumacher), 1:12.453; 3, Jaguar (Brumble and Ferte), 1:13.008; 4, Jaguar (Lammers and Wal-lace), 1:13.827; 5, Porsche (Painer and Needeli), 1:14.800; 6, Nissan (Bailey and Acheson), 1:15.313.

Mercedes Philippart lead race risks finish to help girl

HYWEL Philippart, the only British competitor in this week's 3500km Atlas Rally through Marocco, risked not finishing his first major desert rally by stopping to administer first aid to a female motorcyclist, who had crashed on the final day of

Philippart's team, Honda-France, said: "Hywel was very unselfish and courageous to stop, and help the girl, he bad a chance of finishing higher but he decided to stop."

Philippart, aged 27, from North London, a designer of recording studios, finished the rally in 72nd position out of 102 motorcycles who started the

płaced finish.

The rally was woo, in the car class, by Pierre Lartigue, of. France, in a Mitsubishi. The Japanese manufacturer filled three of the top five places, split by Jacky Ickx, the Belgian former grand prix driver, in a Lada. The winner of the motor-

A final to restore faith in finals By Keith Blackmore

FOR those disappointed by the FA Cup final replay on Thurs-day consolation may be at and if Bristol Rovers reach the FOR those disappointed by the FA Cup final replay nn Thursday, consolation may be at hand. The Leyland DAF Cup final, to be played at Wembley tomorrow, brings together the best team in the lower divisions of the Football League, Bristol Rovers, and the most attractive, Tranmere Rovers.

Both have enjoyed success this season. Bristol Rovers won the third division championship and Tranmere will be back at Wembley to play Notis County next Sunday in the final of the third division play-offs. The final should provide the classic confrontation between a team which relies on organiza-

team which relies on organiza-tion and discipline and one which depends on flair and an often thrilling passing game. Bristol Rovers are the disci-Bristol Rovers are the disci-plined ones, as their League record shows. They won 26 of their 46 matches, losing only five, none at home. They scored 71 goals but conceded only 35, the fewest in the division. Tranmere let in 49, but were the teading scorers in the League with 86 goals on their way to

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Bristol Rovers' record was all the more remarkable for the fact that the club sold Martyn, the goalkeeper, and Penrice, the leading scorer, to Crystal Palace and Watford respectively in the middle of the season. Without middle of the season. Without them, the team lacks outstand-ing individuals bot Yates, in central defence, and Mehew, in midfield (just recovered from injury), are promising. In attack, Saunders has begun to fill the

gap left by Penrice. But the team's greatest strength will be no the sidelines. Gerry Francis, their manager, pulls the strings with skill and imagination, never more so than at half-time. His tactical

interval in difficulties. Tranmere had better be ready for a series of subtle changes.

For all that, Tranmere are the more likely to quicken the pulse of the neutral spectator. John King's team bas two modes of operation: the grimly effective, used when a good result is necessary (as away wins against Bristol City and Leyton Orient demonstrated), and the flat-out attack (best exemplified by a late-season demolition of Northampton Town). Since the Leyland DAF final

is the less important of their two Wembley fixtures, it may not be too much to bape that we will be treated to their most entertain-

ing on Sunday. They do not lack for individual talent. Nixon is a reliable, occasionally brilliant goal-keeper, Mark Hughes is as robust as his internadunal namesake and the best sweeper in the lower divisions, McNab influential in midfield and Muir and Malkin ever likely to score.

Above all, there is Jimmy Harvey, the team's playmaker and the best passer in the third division. After mixed fortunes at Arsenal, Hereford United and Bristol City, Harvey reaches Wembley playing better than ever at the age of 32. His wonderful touch and visioo should be the key to the afternooo's entertainment and, if he takes in those open spaces, the spectators will be in for a treat.

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Chelsea get their man

CHELSEA yesterday secured the transfer of Andy Townsend from Norwich City for £1.5 million (Louise Taylor writes).
Bobby Campbell, the Chelsca
manager, talked to the Republic
of treland international midfield player for seven hours on Thursday to persuade him to opt for Stamford Bridge instead of Arsenal, Everton, or Genoa, who were also interested in his

services.
Townsend, who was named in the Irish World Cup squad 00 Thursday, moved to Norwich from Southampton for £350,000

two years ago.

Manchester United chairman Martin Edwards has called on English supporters to give his club a chance to recreate their European glory nights.

United's FA Cup final replay win over Crystal Palace on Thursday has put them in lice for a place io the European Cup Winners' Cup if English clubs are allowed back into Europe

next season. But UEFA are waiting to see if English fans behave themselves in this summer's World Cup before they make a decisioo oo whether clubs can be readmitted after a five-year absence.

Edwards pointed to the lack of trouble at the two Cup games at Wembley as an optimistic nmen. "There was not an nunce of trouble in either of nur matches with Crystal Palace. The fans have been marvellous. "I doubt whether there has been one piece of bad behaviour. They respected each other sold 6,000 season tickets, and

United see ray of hope Wales lose as final curtain closes

AS NIGHT fell on the season, Cup triumph, their more optimistic supporters will believe, was not merely a belated compensation for the comparative emptiness over the preceding 10 months. It represents, perhaps, the dawn of a genuine challenge for the

championship next season. Denis Law, who naturally sees nothing but the sunniest borizon for his former club, recalls the day wheo be fea-tured in their Wembley victory 27 years ago. Uoited, who had needed to win their closing League fixture to be certain of avoiding relegation, were the underdogs then

against Leicester City. He scored, typically oo the turn. United won 3-1 and they subsequently carried a surfeit of belief into the following season. They finished as the runners-up to Liverpool and went on to claim the title in 1965 and 1967 and, in 1968. the European Cup. The seeds

September.

the receipts for the semi-final

from the Football Association, but although that should be a

healthy figure, the crowds for

earlier rounds were not that big. Nevertheless we have already

so a ray of bope shone for Stuart Jones, Football Manchester United. The FA Correspondent. reviews Correspondent, reviews the first division. the FA Cup Final replay

> been few signs this season that Alex Fergusoo would be able to fulfil expectations. He can, though, point to the prolonged absence of his central midfield pair, Robson and Webb, as an excuse for the continuing

disappointment. United have never been settled. An expensive array of talent was shuffled oot only from week to week but also from beginning to end of individual matches. Ince and Phelan, for instance, have been employed in a variety of positions and Hughes has been partnered in turn by McClair, Wallace, Robins

and, latterly, even Webb. for £13-million, cannot even begin to be compared favourably to the team which

rity which is so abundant in

Crystal Palace did oothing to suggest that standards have ever since to regain the improved Their display in the championship and there have FA Cup final replay on Thursday night was filled with physical brutality and wild aggression. Even Wimbledon, the crudest exponents of the long-ball game, did not descend to such depths when they smothered Liverpool at

Wembley two years ago. There can be no excuse for Palace's cooduct. Underdogs can snarl and hite but once they indulge in provocation, as did Steve Coppell's team, they deserve to lose all sympathy. Palace scarcely eveo bothered to play anything recognizable as football until Martin put United ahead oo

the bour. Mercifully, Ferguson's men resisted the temptation to The present squad, bought retaliate and their quality or £13-million, cannot even eventually emerged during one of the most unappealing showpieces for many a year. included Best. Law and They won the Cup on merit. Charlton. Yet, as loog as Palace earned nothing but

the European Cup. The seeds of success, Law feels, were sown at Wembley. United have been waiting Palace cash in on Cup Final Scotland's World Cup group in the shown the cup on merit. Palace earned nothing but discredit for their wretched cootribution. Scotland's World Cup group in the cup on merit. Palace earned nothing but discredit for their wretched cootribution. Ferguson's designs, it could cootribution. They won the Cup on merit. Palace earned nothing but discredit for their wretched cootribution. Ferguson's designs, it could competitive and attractive fixture. "We saw exactly what Egypt were capable of when they defeated Scotland, and that goes to prove that no international side can be taken lightly these days" he said. The world Cup from the cup on merit. Palace earned nothing but discredit for their wretched cootribution. Ferguson's designs, it could contribution.

By Louise Taylor

THE ploy of linking the purhope to have more to count by right to not to play lan Wright chase of a season ticket for next season to the offer of a seat at By then, Steve Coppell, the manager of Palace, is certain to Wembley for the FA Cup final, sbould enable Crystal Palace to strengthen themselves for the first division. have invested some of the profit

on new players to strengthen a squad which spent much of last season fending off relegation. Palace have already joined Rangers, of Scotland, and Arsenal in inquiring as to the availability of Mark Wright, of Derby County and England. Having seen Palace's performance at the national stadium, those who bought may regret their new-found commitment to watching the team over an eotire seasoo, but the allure of the Cup Final has resulted in the sale of 6,000 season tickets at Selhurst Park, compared in a total of 3,500 sold by last Michael Hurst, the Palace secretary, said yesterday: "The

Coppell is also interested in David Lioighan, of Ipswicb have talks with Metz, of free transfer, are all expected to £800,000 from gate receipts and part company with the club this television rights, at Wembley alone. We have yet to receive

Palace have said they will

retaio tan Wright, who came on

as a substitute and scored twice

io the 3-3 draw oo Saturday but

they are bound to receive tempt-

ing offers for him.

from the start. I have no regrets. The players have had a marvellous season and it is enormously encouraging for the future." Coppell and his players will have time to contemplate the

future over the next two weeks;

they fly out to the West Indies for a two-week holiday today. The composition of the GM Vauxhall Conference oext sea-soo will oot be finalized until May 29 when the Football Town, and John Dreyer, of Association hear an appeal by Luton Town. However, Gary Dover Athletic, the Beazer O'Reilly, John Salako (who is to Homes League champions. France), Perry Suckling, the their Crabble Athletic Ground reserve goalkeeper, and David did not meet the necessary Madden, who has been given a criteria. If the appeal fails, the place

will go to Bath City, who share their Twerton Park ground with Bristol Rovers, the third divisino champions.

Conference inspectors will visit Wexham Park, the ground of the Vauxhall League cham-Coppell said yesterday: "I was pions, Slough Town, tomorrow.

By Ian Ross TERRY Yorath, the manager of Wales, will face an all too familiar problem before be finalizes the team which will play the World Cup finalists, Costa Rica, at Cardiff's Ninian Park tomorrow afternoon. Although Yorath has grown

players

yet again

accustomed to seeing his senior international squad weakened by injuries over the past 18 mooths, be will find that the end little to improve the attendance record of his more experienced players. Seven of Yorath's original

squad have already withdrawn, and although Hughes and Blackmore, who were on FA Cup final duty for Manchester United on Thursday night, have travelled to South Wales, the level of their fitness remains an unknown quantity.
Ratcliffe, Rush, Phillips, Maguire, Holden, and Bowen have all had to be discarded because

all had to be discarded because of injury, and Norman, the Sunderland goalkeeper, bas withdrawn because his side are involved in the second division play-off final against Swindon Town at Wembley.

Costa Rica are included in Scotland's World Cup group in the ly and Vorseh is anticipating.

Emeric Jenei, has announced his country's World Cup squad for Italy (Chris Thau writes). The squad of 21 has gathered in Bucharest for the game against Egypt on Monday.
The 22nd member of the

squad is likely to be the controversial Red Star Belgrade central defender, Miodrag Belodedici. Belodedici, who defected to Yugoslavia several years ago, has agreed to play for Romania in Italy.

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Bullimeston (Alavi) different story."

By Jeremy Hart

the 10-day marathon.
The spokesman for

event. The tough nature of the event and the British rider's unfamiliarity with the techniques of long-distance riding pre-vented him from a higher-

cycle class was Stephane Peterbansel, of France, on a Yamaha_

PROVISIONAL RESULTS: Care: 1 Lar-tique (Misubishi), 4tr 27min 19sec; 2. Flviere (Laci), 4.26; 3, Shinozusa (Misubishi), 15.22; 4, loke; (Laci), 22.49; 5, Fonteney (Misubishi), 40.08, Motor-cycles: 1, Peterhansel (Yamshu), 21.05.27; 2, Charbonnier (Kawssald), 19.23; 3, Moraise (Husquene), 19.27; 4, Laporte (Kawasald), 52.22; 5, Barochy (Honda), 243.11.

After the fall, the rise of a new nation

ROMANIAN sport seems to have been left immune to the divisive forces of the elections, which take place tomorrow. Sport is a relatively cooservative establishment and the profound changes taking place io the country after the revolution have created a state of unease among athletes and sport

Only two former athletes, both Olympic champions, Lia Manoliu, the 1968 discus gold medal winner in Mexico City, and Doina Melinte, who won the 800 metres at Los Angeles in 1984, ran for parliament on the National Salvatioo Froot list. Three other former athletes, Christian Gatu, Mircea Lucescu and Vasile Ianul, had to withdraw after a decree which banned members of the armed forces or the Interior Ministry from standing as candidates.

Paradoxically, the future of Romanian sport depends more on the outcome of the battle between interim Sports Minister,

immaculate first appearance

as England became strong

cootenders for a quarter-final

place with a thumping 3-0 victory over Taiwan on the

opening day of the inaugural

world team cup here yes-

The former member of two

world title winning Chinese

teams, now based in Roth-

erham, hardly put a foot wrong while winning the first match 21-14, 21-10 against

Chih Chin-long. Indeed, Chen went right

through his extensive rep-

ertoire without so much as a

stumble: first producing sub-

tly masked services behind

which the dagger thrust of a

forehand leapt out with a

series of kills, then the parry-

ing and weaving of a tightly

meshed backspin defeoce,

after that the occasional loop

from half distance, and just

before the end the unleashing

of a sudden backhand counter

Few have played with such

Mircea Angelescu, and the two military clubs from Bucharest, Steaua and Dinamo, than the result of the equally uncompromising

electoral race. "It is clear that in order to implement the new democratic structures in sport the two clubs must sever their links with the military establishments," Angelescu said. "They are fighting tooth and nail to retain their positioo and privileges but I think that their time is up.

This was the second time I had met the chain-smoking minister since the revolution. He wasappointed to help Romanian sport regain its seat after decades of neglect and mismanagement. His achievements are considerable. He injected a new lease of life into the fledgling federations, allowed the formation of ruling bodies to sports banned by communists, like golf, martial arts and bridge, and organized free elections while supporting the sacking of corrupt or incompetent administators.

TABLE TENNIS

Chen delights with

galaxy of strokes

to inspire England

was a super dehut - ideal,"

said Donald Parker, the Eng-

land captain, a staunch sup-

porter throughout all the

controversy over Chen's selec-

Just bow high that class really is may be better re-

vealed tomorrow when Eng-

land take on a Swedish team

containing the world cham-pion, Jan-Ove Waldner. To-

day England play Canada, a team they know they can beat,

in a match they feel should put

them into the last eight ir-

respective of the Swedish

after Alan Cooke defeated

Chih Chin-Siu, twin brother of

Chih Chin-long, Chin-Siu is a

few minutes the younger, but

perhaps the odd point or two

better and Cooke needed to

work bard against an oppo-

nent who fiddled away close to

the table with a left-handed

chopsticks grip, using

cushioning blocks

This became almost certain

CHEN Xinhua made an a variety of strokes as this. "It

Romania, a country renowned for its sporting excellence, has been adjusting to life after the fall

of the Ceausescu regime. Chris Thau, a Romanian journalist based in England, has

returned to his homeland on the eve of the elections to see the changes that freedom has brought and what it holds for the future

"The economic reform still to come will change the face of sport in Romania," he said. "The change from centralized to market economy will lead to an upheaval. There will be many problems, countless clubs will go under. Working people will refuse to subsidize enterprise athletes any more. This could lead to the end of the so-called state professional. We are trying to prepare ourselves for

this dramatic change. "I have warned about this approaching crisis but my words have been badly received. After the elections, whoever runs Romanian sport will have to deal with all these issues. So far we have tried to use the schools as the framework for the relaunch of Romanian sport. We have decided to reinstate sport in the primary schools. We have to teach children the pleasure of sport from an early age, otherwise we are

going to lose them.
"We have been working on that together with the Education Ministry and we have just doubled the number of seats available at the PE

Institute in Bucharest." Of all ministerial decisions, the crusade against the Steaua and Dinamo clubs has been the most controversial. The Ministry of the Interior seemed eager to accept a change in the way Dinamo was subsidized. Several weeks ago I saw a document signed by the Minister of the Interior in which he agreed to dispose of the assets, worth about 90 million lei (about £2.6 million), of the two Dinamo clubs in Bucharest and Brasov."

The position of the Bucharest club has changed since Angelescu was harshly criticized by several ton athletes and coaches. The former Romanian football manager, Mircea Lucescu, a highly respected and influential coach with Dinamo Bucharest, was sharply critical of the ministerial approach which he said "could spell the end of top-class sport in Romania.

land, the vice-president of the Dinamo club, said that three sections of the giant - club fencing, tennis and ice hockey - might have to be scrapped to save money. He was equally critical of the ministerial decision to change the financing of military clubs.

The same line of attack was employed by Steaua, who used a battery of Olympic and world champions and record holders to demolish the ministerial assault on the position of the army establishment. "We have produced hun-dreds of world and Olympic champions, the flower of Romanian sport has been nurtured in our club," Nicolae Gavrila, the commanding officer of Steaua Colonel, said.

But the Sports Minister is unrepentent. They have to realize that life in Romania is changing.

"The opportunities for youngsters for having fun, entertainment and travelling sbroad will increase dramatically. Sport will cease 10 become a way to social achieve-meot and will have to be divided between an elite willing to sacrifice their life to achieve elusive goals and the mass sport. This is the end of communist sport as we knew it and there is no going back on that."

Welsh trio renounce their South Africa link

RUGBY UNION

From Owen Jenkins Windhoek, Namibia

THE Welsh touring party ar-THE Welsh touring party arrived here early yesterday morning, and were greeted by a welcoming committee of Namibia Rugby Union officials, cameramen and photographers.

The Welsh Office had warned the party before leaving Wales that Paul Thorburn, Mark Ring and Tony Clement might have

and Tony Clement might have to sign a declaration renouncing sporting links with South Africa following their participation ir last season's SARB centenary celebrations. Upon arrival at Windhoek, they were asked aside and duly signed the form and the issue was soon

forgotten.
This is the first visit by a This is the first visit by a major rugby nation since the British Isles played here in 1974. Stoffel Rocher, the manager of the Namibia Rugby Union, said: "It is with elation and expectation that we greet Wales. It is somewhat of a relief that they have eventually arrived." Ron Waldron, the Welsh coach, said: "They see this as a very important visit by a national team. It is early days yet, but everything seems in order but everything seems in order and we will soon knuckle down

The squad will have its first The squad with nave its distraining session this morning, before watching a local first division league match, refereed by Fred Howard, of the RFU. He will officiate at both internationals and the local referee-ing union is making full use of his services.
He said: "It all adds to the

refereeing experience. Rugby is different throughout the world.

style."
The party travels to the coast at Swakopmund tomorrow, where they will play their first match against an invitation XV

Apartheid pledge may be urged

By David Hands Rugby Correspondent

THE French Rugby Federation. whose selectors meet tomorrow to choose the XV to play Romania in Auch on Thursday, are likely to encounter the same problems as Wales when their B team Visits Namibia next

The Namibian Government, which wanted a form of declara-tion against apartheid from the two Welsh players, Paul Thor-burn and Mark Ring, who visited South Africa last year, will presumably look for a similar sustement from Jean-Pierre Garuet and Marc Cecillon. They are the two members of the French B party who were in the international side with Thorburn and Ring which helped celebrate the centenary of the South African Rugby Board.

The Romanians, meanwhile, were able to field most of their international XV in two games against the touring British Police, which have formed part

Police, which have formed part of their preparations for the game in Auch. The Police lost both games, in the first of which Dean Richards, the England No. 8, played competinive rugby for the first time since

Richards, who spent nearly all last season recovering from an operation to damaged shoulder ligaments, accompanied the police party as a guest but was forced to come on as a replacement for the last half hour of the game against a Bucharest Select XV which included 13 internationals. Richards had no adverse reaction from his

His club colleague at Leicester, John Liley, received his award on Thursday night years Askeans won the Tandem seven counties merit table, win-

England expects: Chen Xinhua winning his first match for England in Japan yesterday

buried deep beneath an easy-

going charm, occasionally flared

The pressure of winning and losing at the highest level has always held Gomez back, cou-

pled with a certain lack of interest in the tougher aspects of physical conditioning. For such a fine player, Gomez's record in

grand slam events is ahysmal.

Despite reaching the quarter-finals once at Wimbledon and

three times at the French Open,

he has never progressed further hut, on form, he may prove that

it is still not too old to improve

of his new coach, Pato Rodri-guez, the Chilean who helped José-Luis Clerc reach the world's top 10. Gomez is back

there himself, ranked No. 7 in the world and looking the part.

Earlier, Emilio Sanchez, of Spain, defeated Guillermo Pe-

rez-Roldan - one of two

Argentinians to reach the multi-

REBULTS: Quarter-finals: E Sanchez (Sp) bt G Perez-Roldan (Arg), 7-6, 6-2; A Gómez (Ec) bt O Camporese (th. 6-2, 6-2.

national last eight, 7-6. 6-2.

That, at any rate, is the hope

at the age of 30.

up io destructive fashion.

change for Lewis

LENNOX Lewis, Britain's exciting young world heavy-weight title hope, has yet another new opponent for his appearance at Sheffield City Hall on tomorrow night. He will now meet Dan "The Business Man" Murphy, from Nebraska. According to Frank Maloney,

Lewis's manager, heavyweights just don't want to know. Three Americans, Mike Cohen, Phil Brown and Alonzo Ratliff, promised to come to Sheffield but soon pulled out.

"Lewis is getting a fearsome reputation" Maloney said. "It's a real problem getting oppo-nents for Lennox. No one wants to come and fight him, or if they do they start talking telephone number purses. This fight has cost well over the odds but it had to be done to keep Lennox active and let the public see him The Olympic champion is

unbeaten as a professional. All his 10 contests have ended inside the distance. Murphy, described hy Maloney as a "giant." has won 27 of his 32 bouts, 19 with

BOXING

TENNIS Opponent Goméz enjoys relaxed stroll Graf rides

between Gómez and the last Italian in the draw.

"There is less pressure now

Gomez said, looking as if he had

just come in from a practice hit

When Cooke won 21-11, 17-

21. 21-18. England were two

up and the tension left the

contest. Cooke re-appeared to

pair with Desmond Douglas

Chen was not needed to play

Instead we were left to

reflect on how relaxed this

new man managed to appear,

despite a disconcerting few

weeks preparation for him and problems in the past three

days with sleeplessness and

"Being in England team very different from Chinese team," Chen said. "More

relaxed. Chinese make it hard

for me here - in the head. This

How much better English attitudes will suit him is a

fascinating question. On yes-

terday's evidence Chen bas

enough ability to lift England

from a good team to a

dangerous one. The evidence

of tomorrow will be eagerly

stomach pains.

suits me better."

LIFE tends to come a little easily to someone as naturally talented as Andrés Gomez. Not, however, quite as easily as the victory the hig left-hander from Ecuador enjoyed over Omar Camporese, in the Italian Open here yesterday.

On a day of cloudless skies at the Foro Italico, Gómez strolled into the semi-finals, 6-1, 6-2 in

on bis home court at the Guayacil Tennis Club. "I am more mature and I can go out and enjoy myself more. It is a good life, playing tennis. so one might as well make the most of

just 59 minutes and the disappointed crowd had nothing to

do except improve their suntans and accept the difference in class and Madrid this year, won the

Kruger shows spirit in toppling top seed BOTH the men's and women's hander, 6-7, 7-6, 6-4 in the top seeds were beaten in the opening women's semi-final on top seeds were beaten in the semi-finals of the Hi-Tec Sat-

ellite tournament at Bournemouth vesterday. In the first of the men's singles semi-finals, Vaclav Rouhicek, of Czechoslovakia, who won the Swansea tournament last week. beat Oliver Fuchs, of Austria, the top seed, 6-3, 6-4. Joanette Kruger, aged 16, of South Africa, defeated Kirrily Sharpe, the top seeded Australian left-

Having lost the first set and dropped her service to trail 3-4 in the second, Kruger showed great potential and fighting spirit in rallying to take control.

RESULTS: Men's singles: Semi-finals: V Roubicek (Cz) bt O Fuchs (Austral), 6-3, 8-4; K Alami (Mar) bt H Chousa (Arg) 6-2, 6-4; Women's singles: Semi-final: J Kruger (SA) bt K Sharpe (Austra), 6-7, 7-8, 6-4; A Benzon (II) bt P Soereheen (Den) 4-6, 6-3, 6-4.

championship here in Rome in 1982 and 1984. In those days pressure things did mean a little more to him and his Latin temperament,

From Barry Wood West Berlin

STEFFI Graf came under early pressure from Leila Meskhi of the Soviet Union before reach-ing the semi-finals of the

Lufthansa Cup yesterday.

Graf won 6-4, 6-1, but looked uncomfortable as Meskhi constantly hit the ball deep and sent backhand passes down the line. But the Russian could not maintain her accuracy and Graf eventually took the upper hand. The top seed now meets another Soviet. Natalia Zvereva, who defeated Judith Wiesner, of Austria, 6-7, 6-0, 6-4.

Zvereva responded to ber first-set loss with a vengeance. Looking sharper, she sent win-ners down the line in the manner of her compatriot and produced a number of winning Sandra Cecchini followed up

her victory over Gabriela Saba-tini by defeating Nathalie Tauziat 7-6, 6-3. REBULTS: Quarter-Grade: N Zvereya (USSR) bt J Wesner (Austrie), 6-7, 6-0, 6-4; S Cecchini (fi) to N Tauzzat (Ph. 7-6, 6-3; S Grad (WQ) bt L Mesidhi (USSR), 6-4, 6-1.

alleged betting coup

Francisco cleared of

SNOOKER

SILVINO Francisco was yes-terday eleared of involvement in to 27th in the world rankings, alleged betting coups at the said: "I am very relieved that it Beason and Hedges Masters is all over but I'm also very tournaments at Wembley in angry that it has taken as long as 1988 and 1989, but is now it has I said I was innocent all considering legal action of his along and I feel completely angry that it has taken as long as it has. I said I was innocent all along and I feel completely vindicted." The South African lost 5-1 on

both occasions, respectively to Tony Knowles and the former world champion, Terry Griffiths. On the latter occasion, in January 1989, the bookmakers, Ladbrokes, suspected an unusual spread of betting and suspended betting shortly before the match against Griffiths. Initial investigations by the World Professional Billiards and Snooker Association and by the Betting Offices Licensees Association (BOLA) were taken over by Scotland Yard's serious crimes squad, which arrested

Francisco for questioning in both January and March. Yesterday, however, the Crown Prosecution Service said there was insufficient evidence to show any offence had been committed by anyone named in the police report and it would take no action.

are considering our position." She would not divulge who her husband might consider litigation against but said: "There are quite a few as far as I can make We have known unofficially for about a week that Silvino had been cleared but can you

His wife, Denise, said: "We

to live under a cloud like this? "We were not worried before Silvino was arrested in January hut when that happened things became much more serious and I think it is outrageous.

said after the 1989 match that his company's liability was £10,000 and the total winnings involved around £50,000. BOLA then recommended non-payment by bookmakers but said yesterday it would review the situation after reading the Francisco. who lives in police report.

September.

his award on Thursday night from Tandem Computers as England's leading first-class points scorer. Liley, who goes to Argentina with England io July, scored 439 points during 1989-90. establishing a cluh record which included 18 tries. Eddie Saunders, the Rugby wing, received a similar award as the country's leading try-scorer. For the third time in four years Askeans won the Tandem Mark Herbert previews the FA Trophy final and the next instalment in 1990's year of the underdog

REAL TENNIS

Fairbarns and Danby threat to favourites

By Saily Jones

COLIN Dean, of Hatfield, and David Bevan-Thomas, of Pet-worth, start favourites for the Scott Hurley Cup, the National over-50s doubles championship which starts at Petworth today. Dean, a shrewd tactician, looks the strongest player in the event but the partnership should still face a tough challenge from the No. 2 seeds, Paul Danby, of Seacourt, and Martin Fairbarns,

Lachlan Deuchar, of Australia, who recently won the world lournament, survived two match points to beat the leading Australian amateur, Mike Happell, in the J D Ward National League. Despite his heroics, Holyport lost 2-1 to the Tennis and Rackets Association after the in-free David John after the in-form David Johnson, of Queen's, and John Ward, the sponsor, had each scored emphatic victories.

 Happell looks likely to take the MCC Gold Racket this from 20,000 Leek citizens afternoon when he meets the holder, Alan Lovell, in the final at Lord's. Happell has been training hard and is plnying some of his best tennis of the holder, Alan Lovell, in the final at Lord's. Happell has been training hard and is plnying some of his best tennis of the year, in contrast to his opponent: The precise and talented Lovelf has played almost no singles this season.

Earlier in the season, the club made promotion its priority, and wembley was seen only as a bonus. Leek duly won the league, and its manager, Neil Baker, who has guided his team to the final while learning the bar trade in a Stafford pub,

Leek plan to cash in on their surprise Wembley bonus

IN A season of sporting sur-prises on a grand scale, it is easy to overlook exceptional achievements at grass roots level. Today, Leek Town bring their tinsophisticated talents to the Wembley turf in the FA Trophy final having already climbed their mountain. Barrow, their

their mountain. Barrow, their opponents, hold no fears.

To put Leek's achievements into a League perspective would be to imagine a third divisioo club reaching the FA Cup final from the first qualifying round, having beaten Liverpool and Manchester United on the way.

The team from the HES Loans The team from the HFS Loans League's first division has played I I matches to get this far, eliminating the holders, Telford United, and the professionals from Darlington, the GM Vauxhall Conference cham-

pions, on the way. No one from the first division of the Northern Premier League has ever gone so far in the Trophy; the only finalists from an equivalent level were Bish-op's Stortford, in 1981, when RESULTS: Termis and Reciets Association by Holyport, 2-1: M Happelliost to L Deucher, 2-8, 6-4, 5-6: O Johnson bt M Devine, 6-4, 6-4; J Ward bt K King 6-1.6-1.

League. Win or lose, the team they were in the Isthmian

tomorrow. Farlier in the season, the club (WEMBLEY TEAMS)

BARROW SQUAD: P McDonnell: S Higgers A Chillon, G Skirington, K Gordon, K Proctor, W Glimour, N Donerty, P Farrel, C Cowperthweste, K Lowe, P Ferris, S Tochunter, I Burgees, M Jackson, Manager, R Wilde.

LEEK TOWN SQUAD: R Simpson: I Eisby, G Pearce, C McMullen, P Clowes, S Nomia, S Goldstraw, A Somerville, O Coleman, B Mellor, A Morgan, G Mailington, I Longe, O Suston, T Russeld, M Smith, O Maleburn Harnager, N Baker, BARROW: First round: v Bangor (tt), 1-0. Second: Metropolitan Police (h), 1-0. Third: Yeove (a), 1-1; replay (n), 2-1. Quarter-farais: Kingstonnan (a), 2-2; replay (h), 1-0. Second: Metropolitan Police (h), 1-0. LEEK, TOWN: First qualifying round: v Hednesford (h), 3-1. Second: Moor Green (a), 3-1. Third: Newtown (a), 1-0. First round: Spernymor (a), 2-1. Second: Mureston (h), 1-1; replay (a), 1-0. Trind: Tellord (a), 0-1; replay (a), 1-0. Cuarter-finals: Derlington (h), 1-0. Semi-final: first leg: Starford Rangers (a), 0-0, second leg (h), 1-0.

remains soberly pragmatic. "We'll play our normal game," he said. "Obviously, you have to make allowances for the size of Wembley, but our tactics will be the same.

"I've seen Barrow five times in the last few weeks. They're not as strong as some of the sides we've beaten in the Trophy, but they've not players who can cause us problems."

Leek's success has been founded on experience. Several of their squad have played for local League clubs: Smith and Elsby with Port Vale. Norris and Pearce with Stoke City. Their defence has proved tight. In the last five matches of the Trophy, in which they saw off three Conference sides — Telford, Darlington and Stafford Rangers — they did not concede a

In previous years. Leek have

been remembered for two
achievements in 1974, they lost
by a record Trophy score, 7-0, at
home to Winsford; four years
ago, they became the first club from the North West Counties League to reach the third round of the competition. There, Wycombe Wanderers needed four matches to evict them: Leek drew 2-2 at home, then, in an incredible performance, held Wycombe 5-5 at Loakes Park. The second replay was drawn 1l, and Wycombe finally tri-umphed 1-0 in the third. Three of the squad remain from that day: Mellor, McMullen and Pearce. The

latter, in his testimonial year after 15 seasons at Harrison Park, recalls when the club turned down the chance to sign Mark Bright, the Crystal Palace forward, who strolled the same stage in the FA Cup final replay on Thursday, for £12. "When Mark first came to

Leek 10 years ago, hig things were expected of him, but he struggled to get into the side," Pearce recalls. "He went off to train with Port Vale off his own bat, after work, and when he came back to Leek on loan the transformation was amazing. Tuesday, kicking-off at 7.45pm.

He's a class player now. All credit to him. He had to work for it; nobody gave him anything."

Barrow have had an indifferent time since loging League

ferent time since losing League status in 1972; the fast decade has been characterized by management problems while they commuted between the Conference and Northern Premier League. This season, relegation again threatened, but was averted, leaving them free to concentrate oo a first Wembley appearance.
The club, which reached the

semi-finals under the present manager, Ray Wilkie, in 1988, sull generates 8 great deal of passion in the North West. Gates are averaging almost 1,300 – the highest since 1972 – and the home leg of the semi-final, against Coine Dynamoes, drew 5,700 to Holker Street. Experience abounds. Mc-Donnell, the goalkeeper, won a European Cup winner's medal as Ray Clemence's understudy

at Liverpool in 1977, and Cowperthwaite, the forward in his tenth year at the club, holds the scoring record with 231 goals in 572 appearances. The goals in 572 appearances, one final is a fitting tribute to the centre half, Gordon, aged 33, who made his debut for the club in 1978. He emigrates to Australia later in the year.

If the match is drawo after extra nme, the replay will be held at Bolton Wanderers on



Cup of cheer: but Neil Baker, the manager of Leek Town, has his sights on the FA Trophy

surrounding those words now

compelling for Roger Ban-

nister, John Landy and Ron

Clarke to want to be there. On May 6, 1954, the most

famous record in athletics

history was set when Ban-nister became the world's first

sub four-minute miler oo the

Oxford University track. His time of 3min 59.4sec lasted

only 46 days as a world record,

Landy running 1.5 seconds quicker in Turku, Finland, on

June 21. But the time still

stands as an Iffley Road track

record and that will be upper-most in the minds of this

Richard Nerurkar, the Eng-

lish cross-country champion,

Simon Mugglestooe, the for-

mer European junior 5,000

metres champion, and An-

drew Geddes, last year's nat-

ional indoor 1,500 metres champion, are among the field

afternoon's competitors.

A firm

base for

British

game

By Alix Ramsay

HOW DO you make a British

Wimbledon champion? Where do you find the raw materials, the stuff of which world-beaters

are made, to mould into a future

The answer may lie in Telford, where the best of Britain's under-eights will to-morrow do battle in the Pruden-

national short tennis

Short tennis is a scaled-down

version of the adult game, devised to get young children interested in tennis while giving

them a good grounding in the basic techniques. Played on a badminton court, with light, plastic rectent and with foam balls, the idea is that it is quick

balls, the idea is that it is quick to learn and fun to play.

Once you get children enjoying short tennis, they will move up to the adult game as they get older. That is the theory. In practice, it seems to be working. There are more than 200,000 children playing short tennis in Britain and the take-up rate with the adult game is good.

At last year's national under-

At last year's national under-12 tennis championships, 60 per cent of the entrants had started with short tennis. Brian Blincoe,

director of national development at the Lawn Tennis

Association, helped launch short tennis in Britain 10 years

ago and is convinced it is the way forward.

"We are trying to break the mould of tennis as a middle-and upper-class sport," he said.

"We'd cheek sport," he said.

"With short tennis we have introduced tens of thousands of

children to the game, a great proportion of whom come from

ooo-teonis-playing back-grounds. Of that oumber, there

are scores of children who have exceptional ability who

wouldn't otherwise be playing

One such budding star is Nicky Crawley, aged five, the youngest national finalist at Telford. Despite his age, he is highly tipped for success. The Crawley family discovered tenois by chance when their eldest too. Despite became involved in

son. Daniel, became involved in

short tennis through his school. By watching Daniel play, Nicky picked op a racket and was in

"He hasn't been beaten of-

en," his mother, Liz, said. "Io fact, the only time he was really upset by losing was when he was

beaten by a much older boy. There were a few tears because

the thought he couldn't play any more that day. As soon as we told him he could go and knock up with the other children on a spare court, he was fine."

With endless talk of burn-out

in the ever-growing ranks of

young tennis stars, introducing children to competition is a

FOOTBALL

Scotland v Poland (at Hampden Park, 3.0)

Wates v Poland (at Merthyr FC, 3.0)

Barrow v Leek (at Wembley, 3.0) ...

SCHOOLS MATCHES: London Hawke Trophy Final: Islangton v North Kent (at Chase Lodge 10.30). South West Coun-ties Chemptonship Final: Dorsat v Devon (at Bridgert 3.0).

CRICKET

LORD'S: Middlesex v New

SRISTOL: Gloucestershire v Zim-

OLD TRAFFORD: Lancashire V

TAUNTON: Somerset v Derbyshire

EDGBASTON: Warwickshire v Nott-

WORCESTER: Worcestershire V

BOWLS

COUNTY: Eastern counties teague: Herriordshire v Bedfordshire (St. Albans); Sutfok v Cambridgestire (Rushygate). Honse Counties League: Buckinghamshire v Kent (Story Stratford); Middlesax v Surrey (Sunbury). Mediand Counties Champlotabla: Leicestershire v Northamptonshire (Rushordshir); Whyrefochrire v Worcestershire (Shipston Engineering). Inter-County: Noteinghamshire v Lancashire. Middleton Cup Trials: Berishire (at Trentham).

AMERICAN FOOTBALL

NOMA LEAGUE: Lecester Parithers v Nomingham Hoods (7.0); Thames Valley Chargers v Bournemouth Bobcats (7.30).

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By David Powell. Athletics Correspondent THE four-minute mile is assembled with the specific being attempted at lifley Road intention of a sub four-minute today. There may not be quite mile to celebrate the newly the same sense of anticipation

surfaced £250,000 track. Nerurkar has never run a as there was 36 years ago, but the occasion is sufficiently sub four-minute mile, but said: "It still bolds a tremendous fascination for a whole lot of middle distance run-ners." Bannister, aged 61, and the Master of the University's Pembroke College, thinks it "nice that it still makes them breathless to try it."

ATHLETICS

Bannister returns to

the track where

his time still stands

If the runners are not intimidated by the company --Clarke was a prolific setter of world records and it is thought that Chris Chataway, who helped pace Bannister at Iffley Road, might be present there is a good chance the record will go. Mugglestone, a student at Hertford College, Oxford, is the favourite. He was astonished when he heard will be looking for a more eveo pace than that," Mugglestone said.

Paul Rowbotham, the Southern 800 metres cham- ing." Bannister recalled.

pion, will be a one-man Chataway and Chris Brasher, Bannister's other pacemaker in 1954. When Bannister broke through the barrier, he had trained for seven months towards that end.

"I can hardly believe the track record has not been beaten," Bannister said. "It is a great tribute to him that it has not," Landy said. The mile record is again in British hands, Steve Cram the holder with 3min 46.32sec. Landy never imagined such a feat possible. Now he regards as futile conjecture about bow records might progress. "You are very much a prisoner of your own time," he said. "It is hard to think outside your

own experience." Bannister avoided becoming a prisoner of his record by retiring at the end of the Bannister's lap times - season to concentrate on being 57.5sec, 60.7, 62.3, 58.9. "I a doctor. "I had nearly given up after the Helsinki Olympics (1952) because I was a medical student and it was barely compatible with train-

New ideas for cross country

BRITISH cross country, which shot itself in the foot last winter, will get a shot to the arm next week, according to David Den-ton, the chairman of the United Kingdom cross country com-mission. The worst collective performance by British athletes at the world championships in March highlighted the need for reform and the commission's quarterly meeting next Saturday

will address several key areas. "The commission is conscious that changes need to be made," Denton said, "A far more defined structure needs to be outlined for the benefit of the sport in general and particularly for those athletes who are aspiring to represent the United Kingdom in international comBy David Powell

Britain plummeted to new depths in Aix-les-Bains, France, their men finishing ninth and their women fifteenth. Although that could in part be explained by late withdrawals, such a pronounced departure from the tradition of British success was largely the consequence of a cramped domestic calendar and a trial which offered insufficient recovery time before the championship and was held on a course which bore no relevance

There is a very strong will to make certain changes and that is what we will be looking at," Denton added. "I think we will see a positive programme come out of the meeting. Before the beginning of next season all the top athletes will have been

Contacted."
One of the main complaints last winter among Britain's best

cross country runners was lack of communication.

Eamonn Martin, the Commoowealth 10,000 metres champion, was among those irked that he had received oo direct contact from the selectors.
The British Amateur Athletic

The British Amateur Athletic Board, which dispenses to the commission responsibility for cross country, has issued a directive that oext year's trial should reflect the type of course to be used in the world championships in Antwerp, where the going will be flat and fast. That was the terrain in Aix. fast. That was the terrain in Aix-les-Bains but the British trial was held over mud and hills only two weeks beforehand.

CRICKET

Norfolk hoping to continue their rise

MICHAEL AUSTIN previews

Oxford University, will be their left-arm spinner. Suffolk remain a bappy team Mark Bailey, the Wasps and England wing threequarter. Ian NORFOLK are the team to watch in the Eastern division of the Minor Counties champ-Graham, a fast-medium bowler, is their most promising young lonship, according to Stephen Plumb, the captain, who be-Durham, looking ahead to their application for first-class status in 1993, have signed Paul Newman, the former Derby-shire seam bowler, while Cumberland make an early start to the defence of the Holf Cum lieves that their depth of batting, varied bowling and vastly im-proved fielding will pase a real challenge to Hertfordshire, the reigning divisional champions.

After finishing bottom twice in the previous three years, Norfolk were runners up last summer under the guidance of Plumb and Roger Finney, the former Derbyshire all-rounder.

Hertfordshire, beaten in the

championship final by Oxford-shire last September, have re-cruited Gordon Harris, a fast bowler who contributed handsomely to Teddington winning the Cockspur Cup last season. John Lever, the former Essex

and England seam bowler, has joined Cambridgeshire and Steve O'Shaughnessy, formerly of Lancashire and Worcesterof Lancasins and the shire, will play for Northumber-land. Lever will miss the opening two championship games because of his duties at Bancroft's School while Cambridgeshire have to find a replacement wicketkeeper for Michael Garnham, now with

Lincolushire have their best squad for several years with the signing of Jim Love, the former Yorkshire batsman, Ian Poot, an all-rounder previously with Essex and Nottinghamshire, and Nigel Illingworth, another former Nottinghamshire seam

Gary Awadu, aged 17, who captains Bedford Modern School, will add his emerging all-round talents to Bedfordclub, in an effort in inject penetration into their attack. shire's attempt to rise from the shire's attempt to rise from the bottom four in the table. Awada, an England Schools player, scored 48 on his Bedfordshire debut against a Northamptonshire XI whose attack included Winston Davis batsman who played for the Combined Services, is Berkshire's newcomer as they at-tempt to rise from the divisional runners-up position they have occupied for each of the past

three seasons.
Wales, who finished next to David Banks has returned after two years with Warwickshire. Patrick Edwards, formerly of

YACHTING

ensure a close final

By Malcolm McKeag TAKING advantage of the re-

to the defence of the Holt Cup against Northumberland at against Northumberland at Kendal on Sunday.

In the Western division, Oxfordshire, with a firm belief in having a home grown and amateur identity, will cast sidelong glances at the performances of Wilishire.

Since finishing seventh last season, Wiltshire have signed David Turner and Steve Ma. skipper's crew suffered the latest of several foul-ups while drop-ping, or failing to drop, a

David Turner and Steve Ma-lone, former Hampshire players, and have the full time service of Chris Trembath, the former Gloucestershire seam bowler. Roger Busby and Alan Crossley have retired but Oxfordshire will cootinue to select players who were either born in the county or play for

clubs within the boundary. exciting to watch. Jonathan Wright, the scorer of three hundreds for Old Hill in the Cockspur Cup last summer, has joined Devon while Andrew Greasley, who has captaided York and been a Leicestershire staff member, adds his off breaks in Cheshire's cause. Decmatch events.

set's are strong io seam bowling and the side's doctrine is one of cojoyment under their ubiq-uitous captain, the Rev Andrew Wingfield Digby.

Shropshire have recruited Derrick Page, a fast-medium bowler who plays for Heywood, a Central Lancashire League Julian Barratt, a left-handed "li's much better for the

finishing line.

FISHING

from intensive agriculture and

The rising tide of water pollution By Conrad Voss Bark

REPORTED cases of pollution of rivers and lakes in England and Wales have more than doubled in seven years. Figures from the Department of the Environment show there were 12,600 cases in 1981, 23,257 in 1987 and 26,926 m 1988, the latest year for which figures were

If this trend continues, and there is no indication that it will not pollution cases in England and Wales will be running at over 30,000 a year by 1991.

The two most significant causes of the increase in fishkilling pollutants were given to the Royal Commission report on Environmental Pollution in January 1987. They were "the low quality of effluents from some sewage work and pollution

forestry". It has been reported that in north west England one in five rivers is so contaminated that it cannot support fish life. Yet pollution control of sewage effluent standards was relaxed so as not to place too heavy a financial burden on newly privatized water companies struggling to improve outdated sewage treatment plants.

Latest of the depressing reports comes from industrial scientists examining coal-burning pollution from power sta-tions and other big industrial plants. They say that trout and salmon in nearly one third of the rivers and lakes io Scotland, parts of Wales and some areas of northern England are being seriously affected and in some

cases wiped out by acid rain. Surprisingly, there has as vet been no statement by any of the national organizations - National Rivers Authority, Nat-ional Anglers Council and Salmon and Trout Association - on the need for more money and more staff in clean up our rivers in view of the latest pollution figures. There is a rumour that the

Rivers Authority (the NRA), alarmed at the increase in pollution, has applied for more money to the Treasury and beeo refused. However, the NRA spokesman said: There is oo substance in the rumour. We are discussing our corporate plan with the Government at the moment and we believe they will honour their com

Means to

egotly-introduced protocol which permits the winner of the round-robin heats to select which of his three possible opposents he will meet in the semi-final, Eddie Wardeo-Owen, of Britain, elected to face Ross Macdonald, of Canada, in the first semi-final of the Sunsail Royal Lymingtoo Cup. being sailed in Christchurch Bay

yesterday.

This left his fellow-Briton,
David Bedford, to face the
higher-seeded Marc Buoet, of
France, Macdonald had narrowly scraped into the semi-final with a somewhat fortunate win over Namba, of Japan, when the Nippon Challenge

The theory is that a little judicious fixing should provide a better spectacle by producing the toughest, and therefore closest, pairing in the final. It is one of several strokes with which match-race formats are trassaged to make the racing more

Another is the adoption here, for the first time at a major British event, of the new downwind-finish course, which will be used for major international

On the basis of the Lymingtoo trial, the idea is a good noc. There are more opportunities to overtake downwind, so the outcome of even an apparently sealed match can be in doubt for longer, hut it was Valdemar Bandalowski, the skipper of the Danish America's Cup chall-enge, who, in an off-guard moment yesterday, let slip the real reason for the new-look

sponsors," he said, "The cameras must record the finish, and so canoot avoid pictures of the logos." lo yacht racing, advertising on spinnakers is both more widely permitted and more readly visible than on the foreand aft sails, which are all that the yacht is using as it approaches a traditional upwind

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Motocress, TT and Grand Prix racing.
MOTOR SPORT: Eurosport 4.30-8pm;
German Formula 3 and Dragster racing.

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Not short on skill: Nicky Crawley, aged five, youngest national finalist at Telford

boy can be. "With his friends at school, he wants to he the same

as everybody else," Liz said.
"We try and keep the tennis

away from his school life. I think

TRENT BRIDGE: Nottinghamshire v

TAUNTON: Somerset v Derbyshire

HOVE: Sussex y Glamorgan WORCESTER: Worcestershire

Surrey

ARDOLETON CUP TRIALE: Dorset v Hampshire (Shaltesbury): Essex (at Thorps Bay BC, 10.0 and Pogasus BC, 3.0); Northamptonshire (at Abington); isle of Wight (at Westlands). AMERICAN FOOTBALL

NOMA LEAGUE Leeds Cougars v Fylde Falcoss (3.30); Gisegow Lions v Birmingham, Bulls (2.0); London Olym-piers v Manchester Spartans (2.30); Northampton Storms v London Ravens (2.30); Brighton BS2's v Portsmooth Warriors (2.0); Bristol Packers v Getes-heed Senators (3.0).

OTHER SPORT

CYCLING: Six flations Junior Track International (Kirby); Tuson Motora Hyde Grand Prix (Hyde, Manchester).

HOCKEY: National Wiomen's Veterans Championahip Finata (at Old Loughtonians, Luctoorough Lane, Chignest, Essac. 10.0). MODERN PENTATHLON: National Mod-am Triathlon Championships (Million

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POLO: Gerald Balding Cup (Circuessier); The Queen's Cup (Windsor); SMW Prince of Wates Trophy (Windsor).
RUGSY LEAGUE: BRIFI. National Cup final: Egremont Rangers v Saddleworth Rangers (St Helens, 3.30); Youth final: Leigh Mingers v Travellers Saints (Fadfresstone, 1.30).
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SPORT ON TV

Win, lose or draw, there is

always another match to be played and team points to be totted up, taking the pressure off young shoulders. "There is oo nastiness, they all watch and encourage each other," Liz said.

children to competition is a delicate business. The national finals are played on a round-robin basis with team and individual events running ing Nicky off the court and concurrently.

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GUIDE TO THE WEEKEND FIXTURES

OTHER SPORT

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International (Kirby).

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WASTERS (Bournemouth).
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Christchurch).

TOMORROW

FOOTBALL

Wales v Costa Rica (at Ninian Park, Cardiff, 3.0)

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CRICKET

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BRISTOL: Gloucestershire v Zim-

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ANTERBURY: Kent v Yorkshire

OLD TRAFFORD: Lancashire v

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International match

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Judo: European Championships from Frankfurt. Hankfurt.
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VACHTING: Screensport 7-8em: 12 metre challenge from Sydney: ITV 1.25-1.45em (Monday): Whitbreed Round The

Lowry lined up Trafford Borough rugby league club has signed Jason Lowry, the New Zealand prop forward on a 12-month contract. He will ioin them in September.

Captain Hamlin Mike Hamlin, the England B stand-off half, has been elected captain of Gloucester rugby union club for a second year.

RUGBY LEAGUE Tait and JONATHAN ELLIS

Bishop miss first match

From a Correspondent
Port Moresby

Papua New Guinea GREAT Britain baunch their 15match tour of Papua New Guinea and New Zealand to-Ginnea and New Zealand to-morrow with a match in Port Muresby against Southern Zone. It is one of only two games in which Malcolm Reilly, the coach, can evaluate his young squad before the first of the two internationals against this steadily improving rugby

league nation. Reilly's selections for Reity's selections for the match, are, he claims not intended in provide any clues to his thinking for the international side. He has had to leave out two former rugby union players, Alan Tait and David Bishop, because of slight injuries to both, and he appears to have built his side round the centre experience of Garry centre experience of Garry Schofield and the pack skills of

Scholeid and the pack skills of Mike Gregory, the captain.

The remaining names in the side lean towards the youth of the party with Wigan's Bobby Goulding preferred to Deryck Fox, at scrum-half. Jonathan Davies has been picked at centre, to some extent io response to his declared dislike of the wing position he plays at for Widnes he could retain the pos-ition for the international.

The match will be played at extreme of temperature and humidity, and Reilly trained his side on Friday in full kit to bring bome in them just how demand-ing their task was going to be. The climate will be Britain's biggest threat.

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GREAT BRITAIN; C Bibb (Featherst Rovers); P Eastwood (thit), G Schoff (Leeds); J Davise (Winnes), C Gib (Leeds); G Steedman (Castieford), Goulding (Wigen); K Stevent (Bracil Northern), M Dersect (Wigen); K Stevent (Castletord), M Dermott (Nhoan), K Eng-ern), O Betta (Wigan), K Eng-ern), O Betta (Wigan), Marrigon), (Warrington), em), U Belas (Warrington), SOUTHERN ZONE: S Severoe: I Wazneco, J Bagme, S Bibaesi, P Las; L Wazdec, J Vaseks; K Ngafin, K Igo, P Kimala, W Las, N Kaups, M Ganigs.

TENNIS

Great names return for a Classic event

EIGHT formerly-familiar Wimbledoo competitors are to play in the Royal Windsor Classic, a new singles and doubles event for players over 35 years of age

(Rex Bellamy writes).
Organized by David White-head's International Thirty-Fives company, in coojunction with the local council, the event will be played from June 14 to 17 oo a plastic court installed in parkland near Windsor Castle. The players in action will be Mark Edmondson, Alex Metreveli, Paul McNamee, Tom Okker, Onny Parun, Sherwood Stewart, and two others who

have yet to be engaged. Accom-

modation will be provided for 2,000 spectators. On June 13,

the professionals will coach

our chances enormously." HOCKEY

Depleted divisions will ring down the curtain

By Sydney Friskin

YET another Great Britain defence. training weekend has drained players from the last of the season's domestic competitions. the divisional tournament, to be played today and tomorrow at Bournemouth, where South will defend their titles at both senior

As the young finalists prepare for their big day, what effect will their success have on Brush tennis? "Short tennis has al-

ready made an enormous im-

pact on the junior rankings." Blincoe said.

"I am not saying it will give us

a Wimbledon champion but

without doubt it has improved

Hardest hit in the senior event are North, who are bound to feel the loss of their goalkeeper, Forshaw, and Stamp, their mainstay in midfield. But Clark, of Welton, who played so well in goal for Yorkshire in the county championship final last Sunday should prove an able substitute. Ian Jennings, who would normally have played for Com-

bined Services, has opted to appear for East, who oo paper seem to be the side in beat Apart from Jennings, they have Halliday, Ashton, Camilleri and De Groot and they look well balanced in attack and defence. Probably the best prepared side are Combined Services, whose run-up in the event has iocluded matches against Londoo lodiaos and tomorrow at both levels.

Ladykillers. Although they lost both games they showed considerable improvement in attack today between Southgate and but will need in tighten their

South have not been able to select a side of anything like their true strength but have

players who could belp them to make a fight of it. These include Francis from Surbitoo and Hunnisett, Richards and Cross from Bromley.

The Midlands attack will be

blunted by the absence of Rob-ert Thompson, but they will look in Imran Sherwani and Knott to knock io a few goals. Sadler and Chaudhry should stabilize their defence. West, winners of the senior title only occe, in 1927, are not seriously affected by the training weekend and must fancy their

chances, having picked a oum-ber of tried and trusted hands The tournament will follow the usual format of recent years with South, East and Combined Services making up one group and Midlands, North and West forming the other. The semi-finals and final will be played

CYCLING

Smith ready

WHEN he won the 100-miles Lincoln grand prix earlier this week, Brian Smith, of Scotland, said he still needed a fortnight's

Smith, from Paisley but stay-

ing in Sandbach, has been "screaming" in training this week according to his chief rival, Steve Farrell, from Stoke-on-Trent. Farrell suffered from cramp in the Lincoln race and

Abandoning the race means that he was a non-scorer in the Star Trophy competition and, although he retains in the leading position in the 10-event series, another Milk Race rider, Peter Longbottom, who was second to Smith, drew to within four points of Farrell; Smith's 15 points, plus two won earlier in

finals. Scotland play the first match

Wales, the third team in Pool A. Wales, captained by J. P. R. Williams, include the former international players Alan Martin, Clive Rees and Paul Ringer. England play Belgium in the first match of Pool B and meet Ireland in the last match of the qualifying games. The English squad, which is captained by Peter Wheeler, includes Bill Beaumont, Nigel Melville, Steve Smith and John Carleton. DRAW: Pool A: Scotland v France; France v Wales: Wales v Scotland. Pool-B: Belgum v England; Ireland v Belgium; England v Ireland.

to test Milk Race fitness

hard traioing to bring him into peak condition for the Milk Race (Peter Bryan writes). His mid-term report can be

writteo after tomostow's Hyde grand prix in Cheshire, where he heads an entry of 90, including eight of Britain's dozen Milk Race amateurs.

the year, moved him to third. Tomorrow, Farrell could be in danger of losing his lead if either Smith or Longbottom

RUGBY UNION Heggarty gets

today between Southgate and Hounslow, has been postponed.

call to join Heysel squad BRIAN Heggarty, the former Scotland and Hawick flanker,

has come into the Scotland squad for today's European Classic at the Heysel Stadium sports complex in Brussels (Alan Lorimer writes). The event, which is for play

ers aged 33 and above, has drawn a large number of former internationals from the five nations' championship countries, who, with a younger team from the host country, Belgium, will compete in two pools of three for places in the semi-

of the tournament when they



Safawan swoops to conquer

burst of acceleration, Michael Stoute's Safawan came from last to first in just under half a furlong to record an impressive two-length success over Distant Relative in the £40,000 Juddmonte Lockinge Stakes at Newbury yesterday.

Although eased down before the line by Walter Swinburn, the rapidly improving colt recorded a time just one-fifth of a second outside the mile record held by Kris.

"That was impressive and he's still improving," said Stoute, who will oow prepare the colt for Royal Ascot's Queen Anne Stakes,

The colt was purchased from his breeder the Aga Khan last autumn by David Thompson, who in turn passed the borse on to his wife as a present.

Markofdistinction, the 6-4 favourite, came with every chance on the far side a furlong out, but faded to finish fourth.

Michael Stoute, already with Ivrea among the Oaks contenders, produced another live classic candidate when the Aga Khan's Kartajana impressively swept clear to beat Katsina by three lengths in the William Hill Fillies' Trial

Ladbrokes quoted ber at 5-1 for Epsom immediately after the trial, but this was laid substantially, and she is now 7-2 behind the 7-4 favourite, Salsabil.

Derby, was 6-5 favourite for the Ultramar Handicap but finished last of the 10 runners. Off the pace in the early stages, Steve Cauthen moved the colt out to mount B challenge three furlongs from home, but the effort was shortlived and the former champion explained: "When I pulled him out his legs sprawled. I had to be easy on him after that, but I think he's okay.

Newbury

Going: good to firm



Pat Eddery (nearside) pounces on Guy Harwood's Stereo to get the better of Parting Moment (Seamus O'Gorman) by a neck in the Ultramar Handicap at Newbury yesterday

the final strides by Pat Eddery's mount Stereo, wbo went on to win by a neck.

If be comes out of this race Henry Ceeil's Private well, Guy Harwood's colt will Tender, quoted at 25-1 for the be prepared for the Italian

> Clare Balding pulled out of the British squad for the Lanson Champagne ladies' international challenge match against the European girls at York on Thursday. She was unable to make the weight on ber allotted mount. But she gained handsome compensation vesterday.

The daughter of royal kay." trainer Ian Balding gave the
At the business end of the 14-1 chance Song Of Sixpence race, Parung Moment was a patient ride to beat Alreef a making a brave effort to make head in the Berkshire track's all, but was overwhelmed in first race for women jockeys

for more than a decade. Mellottie, 9-4 favourite, was

Miss Balding, who goes to Cambridge in the autumn to study English, is making every effort to make amends for her near miss in last year's womco's championship, and flies to Hamilton this evening to partner Great Chaddington for Jack Berry.

• There are 15 entries for Predominate Stakes at Goodwood next Wednesday. They are: Curia Regis, Digression, Dreaming Spires, Elmaamul, Kaheel, Razeen, Regimental Arms, Rock Hopper, Sharp Salute, Shavian, Silca An' Key, Surpassing, Victory Piper, Waki Gold,

Cossack Guard heads Longchamp challenge

enge in an eight strong line-up for the group one Prix du Cad-ran (2½m) at Longchamp tom-orrow. Turgeon (Tooy Cruz) is the likely favourite.

Roberts also rides the Mark Johnston-traioed Starstreak in the Prix la Force, but he may be foiled by the Fabre-Asmusceo combinatioo's Sifting Gold.

Teo fillies contest ao openlooking Prix Saint-Alary. Cau-

theo rides one of the favourites. Qirmazi, and should take a hand

(Hills) going for the listed Scherping-Rennen.

Tomorrow, Langtry Llady (John McLaughlin), Mirror Black (Joho Reid), Western Gun (Lanfranco Dettori) and

Cossack Guard (Michael Roberts), Thethingaboutitis (Steve Cautheo) and Ruling (Joho Williams) provide the British chall-

There are several British hopes on view at Baden-Baden. Today, Dance Spectrum (Ray Cochrane) and Ashai (Richard Hills) coolest the group three Oleander-Rennen with Kadim

Sharp N Early (Willie Carson) in the finish along with Mackla are among 14 starters, including the formerly English-trained Bleue (Asmussen).

Robore should land today's for the Badener Meile.

Melton vote for Perroquet

Going: good to firm

2.10 (1m 2) 1, SONG OF SIXPENCE
(Clare Balding, 14-1); 2, Alreaf (Arnanda
Harwood, 15-2; 3, Meelottle (Matone
Juster, 9-4 fav); 4, Disantsei (Beine
Bronson, 15-1). ALSO RAN: 15-2
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12 My Ciniara, Genotin, Great Hand, 14
Summer Fashlon, 25 Bit Of A Lase (Bh),
Hensensis, 33 Glass Castle, 50 Feorless
Figner (Sith), Acrow Line, 16 ran Hd, 24,
5, 21, 11, 11 Belding at Kingsclere, Tote;
213.00; E2.00, £1.50, £1.30, £2.50, DE:
251.70, CSE; £112.71, Tincast: £303.14.
Zmin 08.71sec. Going: good to firm
2.10 (5f) 1, La Menana (M Birch, 8-4
fav), 2, Allinson's Mate (11-4); 8, Pet Shop
Boy (5-1), 8 an. 151, 151. A Scott, Tota:
52-80; 51.30, £1.50, £1.70. OF: £3.10.
CSF £6.07.

Yesterday's results

Fighter (Sth), Acrow Line, 16 ran Hd, 25, 6, 21, 11. 1 Balding at Kingsclere, Tote; 213.00; £2.00, £1.60, £1.20, £2.50, DF; £5.07. 245 (tim 4) 1, Vestige (S Perks, 2-1 251.70, CSF; £112.71, Tricast: £303.14. 2min 08.71sec. 2.40 (tim 4) 1, STEREO (Pat Eddery, 11-1); 2, Parting Moment (S O'Gornen, 12-1); 3, Castle Coursgebus (J Reid, 25-1). ALSO RAN: 6.5 fav Privata Terder, 101-30 Warm Feeling (4th), 10 High Beacon (50)), Wace, 12 Alim (8th), 25 Expending 5.5 fav. 12 ran, 24, 4. F Lee, Tote; £3.30; £150, £1.20

32:9496.
3.18 (fm) 1, SAFAWAN (W R Swinburn, 5-1): 2, Distant Relative (M Hills, 9-2): 3, Montagers (S Cauthen, 10-1). ALSO RAN: 6-4 (W Markodistinction (4th), 6 Green Line Express (6th), 6 Megic Gleem (5th), 6 ran. NR: Aldbourne. 21, "4, 1, 1, sh.d., 17;1. M Stoute at Newmarket. Tota: 5:30; 52:60. 52:40. OF: £10.50. CSP: 224.00. Innn 38:4296.

224.00. 1 mm 36.42sec.
3.40 (1m 2f) 1. KARTAJANA (W R Swinburn, 2-1 fav; Milchael Seaty's nap);
2. Katalana (Pat Eddery, 6-1); 3. Akamacala (R Cochrane, 14-1). ALSO RAN: 7-2 Wesnan (4th), 4 Alidiva (5th), 6 Sally Rous (6th), 6 ran. 31, nk. 2/1, 2/4, nk. M Stoute at Nowmarket. Tose: 23.00; £1.90, £2.90.
DF: 510.20. CSF: £12.66. 2min 08.00sec. 4.10 (6) 1, TOD (T Quinn, 20-1); 2, Darylar (W Carson, 7-4 tav); 3, Ra's (L Dettor), 5-1), ALSO RAN: 15-8 Book The Band (4th), 8 Notice (5th), 33 May Hinton (6th), Between The Sticks, 7 ran, Hd, 4t, 3t, 3t, 2t/L J Berry at Cockerham. Tota: £17-10; £3.40, £1.40. DF: £40.40. CSF: £50.86. 1min 12.52sec.

x0u.nu. Imm 12.52sec. 4.40 (6) 1, JMM'S WiSH (M Marshall, 25-1); 2, Zeppeki (L. Dettori, 0-1); 3, Scar's Lady (6 Cauthen, 12-1). ALSO RAN: 11-4 fav First Succass. 4 Ivan The Terrible, 13-2 Billy Lomond, 10 Vicercy Gern, 14 Space Traveller, Mighty Dragoon, Scarlic Dencer, 20 Green's Portrail. 11 ran. NK, sh hd. M Usher at East Garston. Tota: 238,70; 26-10, 52-30, 52-50. DF: £85.00. CSF: £167.55.

Newmarket

borough, Tote: £4,70: £2.30, £1.30. DF: £4.60. CSF: £14.75. Imm 01.06sec.

2.50 (77) 1. MANGO MANKA (R Hills, 33-1): 2. Teaber (Ron Hills, 210-1): 6. Bournville (M Roberts, 6-1). ALSO RAN: 100-30 tav Grand Blush, 11-2 Taksenhall (8th), 13-2 Sharp Times (5th), 7 Knight Of Mercy (4th), 14 Rose Glen, 20 Top Dream, Varroy. Mercroft. 40 Premiser Moon, Concidental, Kawwasa, 14 ran, 21, sh hd, sh hd, hd, XL C Horgan at Blingdoer, Tote: £29.90: £7.50. £4.10. £2.20. DF: £128.80. CSF: £462.06. Tricast: £5,020.86. Imm 27.51sec.

3.25 (1m 8t) 1, TENDER TYPE (Date Glaton, 16-1); 2, Podrida (M Roberts, 7-4 lav); 3, Beeloman Street (N Adams, 6-1), ALSO RAN: 5-2 Royal Borough (6th), 7 Cheisea Grid (4th), 11 Cualitair Avisator (5th), 20 Presspenda. 7 ran. ½1, M, ½1, 8, 21, R Whalawar at Westerby. Tote: £10.40; 23.40, £1.70. DF: £18.70. CSF: £25.98. 3min U3.57sec.

3mm (9.5/791, IN EXCESS (A Monro, 7-1); 2, Norwich (Dean McKeown, 2-1); 3, Hasbah (FI Hills, 15-8 fav), ALSO RAN: 100-30 Qui barzaj (4th), 10 Ball Lady (6th), 5 ran, 1 5r, 1d, nk, 10. W O'Gorman at Newmarket, Tota: \$10.50; \$23.00, \$1.50, 07: £8.40, CSF: £20.24, 1mm 26.359ec. CSF: 220.24. Imm 26.35sec.
4.25 (1m) 1, POSSESSIVE LADY (Paul Eddery, 6-4 fav); 2, Alicente (C Rate, 25-1); 3, Remisediale (R Hills, 9-2). ALSO RAN: 7 The Island, 11 Front Page, Valcens (4th), Grondole (6th), 14 Taskforce Flagd II, Fortidden City, 25 Mohari, 33 Mrs Skinner (6th), 11 ran. 2, 2, 11, 3; h. 4. Scott at Newmentet. Tote: 22.40; £1.40, £4.00, £1.70. OF: £29.80. CSF: £34.78. Imin 40.80sec.



4.55 (6f) 1. Hallshess (M Roberts, 5-1); 2. Prospective Ruler (2-1 fav); 3. Krisshef (6-1), 6 ran. 2%I, SI, C Britishin, Tote: £5.40; £2.30, £2.00. DF; £7.80, CSF: £15.16

Thirsk

3.46 (60) 1, Tiniches Wood (D Miller, 11-2); 2, Timeless Times (1-2 fav); 3, Godscham (9-1), 5 ran, 1%L 4I, 3I, 4L R Boss, Toxe, 55.90; £1.50, £1.20. DF; £2.20, CSF; £8.52.

La Masaas in command

LA MASAAS, a disappointing favourite on his debut at Windsor last mooth wheo trailing in eighth, made swift amends in his secood race, at Thirsk

Well supported from 7-4 to 6-4 favourite, La Masaas beat Allinsoo's Mate hy 11/2 lengths to take The EBF Station Road Maiden Stakes. The youngster is owned by

Maktoum Al-Maktoum and trained at Newmarker by Alex ott. La Masaas is the trainer's third two-year-old winner of the Mark Birch always had La

Masaas up with the leaders and look over well inside the final furtone. Scott remained at New-market to see his Freoch Derby hope Theatrical Charmer work

Squall, the first and second in the Kentucky Derby, renew rivalry in the oine-runner Preakness Stakes at Pimlico, Baltimore, today. However, Mister Frisky, who met his first defeat of Churchill Downs, may cause a surprise.

At San Siro, Milan, tomorrow Petite Mou and Ruby Tiger run in the £122,000 Oaks d'ttalia. and Samsova goes for the Premio Buootalenta at the Capannelle, Rome.

Thursday's late details Huntingdon

Geing: good to firm 7.30 (2m 4f ch) 1, Palece Yerd (H Davies, 11-10 fav); 2, Aberoy (7-4); 3, The Frist (14-1), 6 ran. 1 1, 1, 30L K Wingrove. Tota: 22.10; 51.20, 51.40, 52.10. DF: 22.60, CSF: 23.65, Tricest: 513.63. ELDU, USP: K3.88. Tricast: £13.88. 8.0 (3m ch) 1, Tephather (Mr J Sharp, 0-1); 2, Wages Of Sin (14-1); 3, Summons (4 5 tay), 5 ran. NF: True Bloom, 8i, dist. Mr Shire. Tote: £5.10; £1.90, £2.20. DF: £20.20, CSF: £53.55. EXU.20. CSF: E83.55.
8.30 (2m 100yd) 1, K0nd/A Smart (S Turner, 5-2); 2, Druso (7-2); 3, Run On Stirling (9-4 fav) 7 ran. NR: Silly Saussige. 44, 141. K Morgan. Totat: 23.70; £1.70, 22.10. DF: 5.20. CSF: £10.94. Piecepot: £998.20 (0.6 winning tickuts Pool of £538.61 was certifd forward to

Racing next week MONDAY: Bath, Edinburgh, Wol-TUESDAY: Beverley, Salisbury.

WEDNESDAY: Goodwood, Heretord. THURSDAY: Goodwood, Catterick Briggs.
FRIDAY: Haydock Park, †Ponts-fract, Sadgefield, Towcester.
SATURDAY: Doncaster, Kempton Park, Haydock Park, †Lingfield, †Southwell, †Warwick, Cartinel, Haxtam. Flat meetings in bold. †Denotes

QUALITY abounds among the 166 entries for the Melton Hunt Clob point-to-poiot at

Garthorpe today.
With Sweet Diana reserved for the RMC final at Warwick in the evening, Jill Dawson will be on stable companion Roscoe Boy io the ladies. Although this combination has been beaten only ooce in 14 races in the last two years, Perroquet looks likely bring about their second

> The Robert Alner-trained and ridden Elver Seasoo has put up in the South West and looks to be good enough for the open. With Stanwick Lad beaten oo Wedoesday at Cottenham, Katesville may be the one to provide the main opposition, but Freddie Teal and Deer Crest must also enter ioto the reckoning.
> The Marie Curie oovice

championship has attracted most of the top youngsters seeo out this season. Bertie Boy, Konrad Wolf and Mourne Warrior have all established fine reputations but one who has so far only won two small races,

Point-to-point by Brian Beel Wall Game, may be worth considering. A stable compan-ion of the old champion humer

chaser Border Burg, he is highly thought of by James Delahooke and will be ridden by the experienced Alan Hill. With double entries and plans still fluid for many, tooking for winners of the other three races is not easy but, in their selected races, True Dowry, Adventures,

Lolly's Patch and Ask Jean should all run well. The Isle of Wight bunt come over to the mainland for the last Tweseldown, Senator Of Rome has an opportunity in the open of making amends for losing his rider on four occasions from his five outings. With Alison Dare waiting for next week's Larkhill fixture, Nearly Handy will have a straightforward task if started

in the ladies. Philip Scholfield and Mike Felton are likely to be io opposition at the Dalverton West. After his win on Beech Grove on Wedoesday, Felton is oow three ahead of his rival io the title race, but may find it difficult to score here as bis main hope, Sutton Prince, could be opposed by the prolific Welsh winoer Timber Tool in the

Radio Cue won well at the Banwen Miners and would be worth following if making the long journey from Carmarthen to run in the PPOA race. Today's meetings

Dulverton West, Bration Down, 10m north of South Motion (2.0 start). Isle of Wight, Tweseldown, 3m W of Aldersot (2.15). Melton Hust Club, Garthorpe, 5m E of Melton Mowbray (2.0). **Sweet Diana**

to prove best THE second of the national point-to-point championships will be decided tonight with the

RMC final a) Warwick. Sweet Diana easily beat Not Quite a Lady last Saturday at the Badsworth point-to-poiot and the pull of 10th in favour of the runner-up is unlikely to be enough to reverse the placings.

LINGFIELD PARK

Selections

6.10 Rami. 6.40 Jazaf. 7.10 Versailles Road. 7.40 Arctic Heights. 8.10 Mazag. 8.40 Green Dollar.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent 6.10 Bid Later. 6.40 Sockem. 7.10 Versailles Road. 7.40 Dancing Earl. 8.10 Mazag. 8.40 Sally's

Going: good to firm Draw: high numbers best up to 7f

6.10 CONFERENCE GRADUATION GUARANTEED SWEEPSTAKES (£2,060: 6f) (6 runners)

1-8 Rami, 8-1 Khulm, 12-1 Bid Later, 20-1 Stone Or sors, 50-1 Petivara, Secret Four.

6.40 APPLE BLOSSOM STAKES (3-Y-O: £3,900: 71) (17) 1 3-1 JAZAF 54 (D,F) P Cole 9-7 TRIBAL LADY 203 (F.S) M McConneck 9-6. A Clark 13 FOX CHAPEL 211 (F) R Hennon 9-2..... R Pertains (7) 6 HERMITAGE ROCK 226 (D.F) G Lewis 9-2

5-2 Jazef, 3-1 Socionn. 8-1 Sashtai, 7-1 Marasol, 10-1 Cheveux Mitchell, 12-1 Alchies, 14-1 others. 7.10 SPICER AND OPPENHEIM CLAIMING

STAKES (£2,742: 1m 3f 106yd) (16) 8 58-9 EMPERORS WARRIOR 18 (8F) P Cole 4-9-2 T Quant 8 4 29-0 FEARSONE 10 (Q) K Cunningham-Brown 4-9-2

2-1 Versalles Road, 7-2 Proud Patriot, 4-1 Emperors Warrior, 8-1 Fearsome, 10-1 Littlego, 12-1 others.

These two look to dominate the event with Cheekie Chappie the best of the others.

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8.10 FRUIT FARM MAIDEN GUARANTEED SWEEPSTAKES (3-Y-O: 22,060: 7f) (20) 06 ANTAGORIST & B. Milman 9-0 P. D'Array 00 BLUSHING POPEYE 16 M. Muggeridge 9-0

15-8 Mazag, 9-4 Lucky Again, 4-1 Jawab, 8-1 Smokey Native, 10-1 Suprette, 12-1 Sherjamai, 10-1 others. 8.40 BRAMLEY STAKES (£2,826: 6f) (19) 1 3020 AUGNEAD 18 (B.D.F.S) T Casey 4-10-0... W Howeves 8 2 0805 YEDSIAN FORCE 0 (F) K Nory 4-9-9. W R Sminburn 11 3 00-0 CRONK'S COURAGE 8 (D.F.S) G Lawis 4-9-9 4 00-0 EASILY BREEZE STJ (D,S) M McCourt 4-9-8 A Tucker (7) & 5 0555 GREEN DOLLAR 7 (D.F.C) E Wheeler 7-9-8

W Carson 18 8 23-4 DEVILS DERGE 18 G Princherd-Gordon 49-5 A Munro 2 7 30-0 DAMASKEEN 33 (F) Mrs S Armysage 49-5 6 6530 NO QUARTER GIVEN 8 (D.F.S) P Feigete 5-9-4 M RODORS 6 P MINCHES 4-9-3 C Avery (7) 6 00-5 PROPERS 6 P MINCHES 4-9-3 C Avery (7) 6 11 6323 SALLY'S SOM 8 (C) W O'GOMBES 4-9-2 10 6-00 MALLAU XX (GLUF) | 1 6323 SALLY'S SON 8 (C) W O'GOMMIN 4-9-2 Emps O'GOMMIN (7) 7
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4-1 Bayaham, 5-1 Propers, 13-2 Yeoman Force, 7-1 Green Doller, 8-1 Saby's Son, 9-1 No Quarter Given, 16-1 others.

Course specialists

Testing track can help Tirol complete fine Guineas double

From Our Irish Racing Correspondent, Duhlin

THE Curragh executive has occasion must be questioned. Lotus Pool won here first time been fortunate in securing one of the needle matches of the out and then beat Old Talka River by four lengths over this distance at the Phoenix Park. current season for the Airlie/Coolmore Irish 2,000 The remaioder of the runners fit into the rank outsider category and, in the belief that this testing Curragh mile will suit Tirol better than Machiavellien, I Guineas, which is highlighted by a renewal of rivalry between Tirol and Machiavellian, who filled the first two places in the faocy his chance of confirming On that occasion, Macbiavel-

Newmarke) form. The supporting group Tetter-salle EBF Rogers Gold Cup hes also drawn together a splendidly

Going: good

competitive nine-horse field even if the finish may be dominated by the five English Batshoof, who met with inter-

ference when beaten two necks by Dolpour in the Gordon Richards Stakes at Sandown Park, is named as the main danger to Pirate Army who, returning to racing after an IImonth absence, was beaten less than a length into third place by Terimon in the Earl Of Section Stakes at Newmarket.

BBC1, C4

CURRAGH FIELD

3.50 AIRLIE/COOLMORE IRISH 2,000 GUINEAS (Group I: Ir£134,400: 3-Y-O: 1m) (9 runners)

Evens Tirol, 2-1 Machiavellian, 7-1 Royal Academy, 12-1 Lotus Pool, 25-1 Mr Brooks, 33-1 Noble Patriarch, 50-1 Legal Verdict, 66-1 Bastille Day, 100-1

1989: SHAAD! 9-0 W R Swinburn (7-2) M Stoute 12 ran Big-race form guide

LEGAL VERDICT best Some Fun 11 in a 13-runner maiden here (61, good) on his respondence. LOTUS POOL was eased the parade ring had sweated up and his temperament for the big

TIROL made a winning reeppearance with a short-head deleast of Sure Sharp in the Group III Craven Stakes at Newmarket (Im. good) and landed the 2,000 Guineae with a 2 success from MACHAVELLIAN (same terms) over the same course and distance (good to tim).

MACHAVELLIAN had previously beaten Ron's Victory 2½ in a Listed race at Maleons-Laffitte (If., good). ROYAL ACADEMY ran out an impressive winner of a Group III race here (If. good) on his seesone bow when beating Arminate 3 with LEGAL VERDICT (same terms) 1½ ord.

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THIRSK

Selections By Mandario

2.15 Barakat, 2.45 Belle Chose, 3.15 Palatial Style, 3.45 Dashing Senor, 4.15 Spittin Mick. 4.45 Hallowed Ground, 5.15 Red Paddy.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent 2.15 Barakat. 3.15 Dutest. 3.45 Dashiog Senor. 4.15 Like Amber, 4.45 Hallowed Ground.

Going: good to firm Draw: 51-61, high numbers best

Newmarket equivalent.

lian, with an unbeaten French

record, started favourite but Freddie Head got himself into plenty of trouble in running. He

managed to get to the quarters of

Tirol, hur by that stage he had used up his vital turn of acceleration and up the final

incline could pull out no extra as Tirol sustained a strong gallop.

were separated by two lengths.

hut the general view was that it

would have been a much closer

run affair if the loser had beeo ridden with the same judgement displayed by Michael Kinane on

With Kinane claimed today for the unbeaten Weld ruooer

Lotus Pool, Pat Eddery is re-

united with Tirol on whom he

woo the Craven Stakes last

This is a crucial afternoon for the Classic Thoroughbreds plc.

whose fortuoes are now so elosely tied up with the fate of

the \$3.5 million yearling pur-chase Royal Academy.

But for his disappointing run io the Dewhursi Stakes, he

would have been a much stron-

ger fancy for today's race as he has woo his two earlier Curragh events very easily indeed. He scored in the Tetrarch Stakes with a good deal in hand, but in

At the winning post the pair

2.15 TETLEY BITTER MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (3-Y-O: £2,971: 1m 4f) (11 runners)

AH.ORT R Cecil 6-11 N Day 2
6 BERANCAT 22 A Stewart 6-11 M Roberts 5
6-4 BESTTO 10 R Hotinshead 6-11 SPerios 19
9-9 SLISHING RED 15 N Bycroft 6-11 IN Michola 10
6- KALVEE DANCER 238 E Weymes 6-11 Dean MicKown 4
42-0 LIMPAC LIGHT 22 W Bey 6-11 M Chesty (7) 8
4 MISTY GLOW 21 J Esterington 6-11 G Forstay (7) 8
2 NAF7AWA 203 M Stoute 6-11 J Cerrol 3
581 M Bef 6-11 J Cerrol 3
4 TESDOR 224 W Lends 8-11 M Tehburt 8

VARIE P Caver 6-11 ________ A Culhore 11 6-4 Allors. 5-2 Barakat, 7-2 Natwaza, 8-1 Tesora, 10-1 sito, 12-1 others. 2.45 SKIPTON SELLING STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,553:

STONELEIGH STAR J Beiding 8-5.... TEN O'CLOCKS M H Esserby 8-6.... 3-1 Minizen Music, 4-1 Kinlet Music, 5-1 Belle Chose, 6-1 nce Pedro, 6-1 Ten O'Clocks, 10-1 Kenton Lady. 3.15 DIBB LUPTON BROOMHEAD AND PRIOR CUP (Handicap: 3-Y-O: £3,850: 1m) (

10-11 Dutest, 4-1 Secret Society, 5-1 Cashtal Dazzler, 8-1 Nice And Sharp, 10-1 Azubah, 12-1 others.

Course specialists

TRAINERS: H Cock, 18 winners from 29 runners, 34.5%; M Stoute, 7 from 25, 28.0%; W Hagges, 4 from 15, 26.7%; K Brasey, 6 from 15, 20.0%; J Wherton, 3 from 16, 18.8%; M K Easterby, 35 from 216, 16.0%. JOCKEYS: M Roberts, 4 witners from 23 rides, 17.4%; S Whitworth, 3 from 16, 15.8%; N Day, 6 from 40, 15.0%; Dean McKeywn, 15 from 103, 14.6%; M Birch, 33 from 230, 14.3%; N Connorton, 15 from 116, 12.9%; A Cultiune, 18 from 78, 12.8%. (Not including yesterday's results)

WARWICK

Selections

By Mandarin 5.50 Persillant. 6.20 Skinnhitt. 6.50 Sweet Diana. 7.20 Forest Flame. 7.50 Nathan Blake, 8.20 Nearly Ready. 8.50 Little Sail. Brian Beel's selection: 6.50 Sweet Diana

Going: firm, (good to firm, back straight) 5.50 ALLIED DUNBAR HURDLE (£2,057: 2m) (7

1 IS34 PERSALANT 12 (D.F.G.S) IN Tinider 6-11-13 G McCourt
2 -PP0 BOLD ANSWER 10 (D.F.) Micc O Roes 7-11-4
Westingston
3 US0- EYELIGHT 598 (D.F.) J Cardon 13-11-4 ... Mr. J Cardon
6 P PALASS ROSE 33 (S) C Vernon Miller 6-10-11 ... R Hyelt
6 QPUP MANOR PARK LASS 21 (S) R Wester 0-10-5
P Bernerd (S)

7 U323 STRIKE A CHORD 3 Miss G Dollar 5-19-0 K Davies 4-6 Persillent, 4-1 Strike A Chord, 5-1 Eyelight, 8-1 Trojal God, 12-1 Manor Park Lass, 10-1 others. 6.20 HAWTAL WHITING HANDICAP CHASE

(£2,684: 2m 4f) (6) 3 2311 PALACE TARD 2 (D,F,S) K Wingrove 0-11-0 (6ex)

13-6 Palace Yard, 11-4 krish Lord, 5-1 Skirmhill, 8-1 Scale odel, 6-1 Severn Sound, 12-1 Jay-Zee Boy.

6.50 RMC GROUP LADIES CHAMPIONSHIP HUNTER CHASE (Amateurs: £2,794: 3m 1f) (8) 1 U-U1 RECTORY BOY 17 (F) B Llowellyn 7-12-2

2 1/3 AS YOU WERE 33 (F) J Turner 8-11-7 3 /12- SWEET DIAMA 371 (F,S) C Devision 11-11-2

4 4/6- CHEEGE CHAPPIE 381 H Reynolds 12-10-11 6 CREEPING JAME O Limis 11-10-5 Mars 2 more (7)
7 MISS RUGHSLL Mrs G Edwards 7-10-6 Mars K Ellis (7)
8 -6R3 NOT QUITE A LADY 32 C Holden 11-10-6 Mrs L Ward (7)

Course specialists

0-15 Sweet Diana, 7-2 Rectory Boy, 5-1 Cheekle Chapple 7-1 As You Were, 12-1 others.

TRAINERS: A Stewart, 5 winners from 15 runners, 33.3%; W Coronnar, 9 from 40, 22.5%; J Scargill, 4 from 21, 16.0%; C C Essy, 3 from 16, 18.5%; I Scargill, 4 from 27, 18.5%; B Hanbury, 6 from 34, 17.6%, 17.6%; J Scargill, 4 from 27, 18.5%; B Hanbury, 6 from 34, 17.6%, 17.6%; J Scargill, 4 from 27, 18.5%; B Hanbury, 6 from 34, 17.6%, 17.6%; J Scargill, 4 from 21, 13.6%; D Hanbury, 6 from 34, 17.6%, 17.6%; M Perrett, 4 Carson, 30 from 206, 14.6%; T Culnn, 31 from 219, 14.2%; M Popers, 13 from 25, 14.6%; T Culnn, 31 from 112, 13.4%; M Popers, 13 from 25, 14.0%; B Reymond, 15 from 112, 13.4%; M Forman, 3 from 20, 15.0%; S Smith Eccles, 8 from 75, 12.0%; R Duriwoody, Fry, 3 from 23, 18.0%.

3.45 JOSHUA TETLEY HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £6,937:

(f) (10)
1 0-50 SER ARTHUR HOBBS 14 (F,G) F Lee 8-7
Dean McKaowa 7
2 340 JUDGEMENT CALL 8 (F,G) M H Easterby 9-5 K Dartey 8
3 36-1 DASHING SENOR 24 (D,G) A Steward 9-4, M Roberts 8
4 -310 LA DOMAINE 32 (G,S) C Nelson 8-10... 6 Wicknorth 5
5 06-12 CABBLADNS 7 (CD,F) M Tomptons 8-4 ... T Wisters 2
6 03-2 ALTAIA 10 W Hogges 8-3 ... J Lowe 1
7 -220 WANDA 11 (R,G) M W Easterby 9-0 ... L Chamack 4
9 03-6 SABONES 30 (F) Derrys Smith 7-13 ... L Chamack 4
9 03-6 INNOTEP B A Robson 7-7 ... N Kennedy (7) 10
10 0025 CHANITTON BAY 11 (V,F) R Whister 7-7
6 Wood (S) 9

Evens Dashing Senor, 7-2 Alfale, 6-1 Judgement Call, 10-1 Warda, 12-1 Gabbadini, 14-1 Granition Boy, 16-1 others. 4.15 DICK PEACOCK SPRINT HANDICAP (£3,158:

1 -001 AMIGO MENOR 8 (B,D,F,G) K Brassey 4-19-0
2 1204 SO CAREFUL 7 (D,F,G,S) J Berry 7-9-12... J Carnoll 17
3 -350 SALADAN KNIGHT 16 (D,F,G) Jimmy Progesid 59-12
4 -000 CUMBRIAN EXPRESS 12 (D,F) M H Easterby 5-9-12
5 40-0 PRIESTGATE 11 (D,F) J Whatron 5-9-5... T Williams 15 7 3010 GOOG SOLUTION 28 (D.F.G.S) T Barron 9-9:
Alax Greenes (5) 19
6 3-85 RED ROSEIN 14 (C.F.) N Tinker 4-8-13 N Connection 13
8 40-0 LIKE AMBER 6 (5) C Britain 4-8-13 N Connection 13
10 200 WHEPPER IN 199 (F.S.) J Erremiton 6-8-9.
11 -500 MASTER OF THE HOUSE 15 D Crapman 4-8-8
K Darley 7

12 0-13 SINGING STAR 28 (D,F) J Beiding 4-8-5... S Webster 4
12 0-13 SINGING STAR 28 (D,F) J Beiding 4-8-5... S Webster 4
13 29- DALESRIF LADYBIRD 190 (D,F) T Fairhurst 4-8-5... — 5
14 05-5 CHOTORISKS 51 M W Easterby 6-8-4... — 5
16 200/ THE SPECING MAN 585 J Beiding 4-8-0
Calvo Beiding (7) 12 16 0-25 SPITTIN MICK 18 (C.BF.F) G Moore 6-7-8 ... J Lover 10 17 3030 WAVERLEY STAR 6 (B.D.F.) J Warnenght 5-7-7

17 3030 WAVERLEY STAR 6 (B.D.F) J Walnwight 5-7-7
L Chremock 3
16 0-00 DORRS GERL 12 W Poerce 3-7-7
19 5955 TAKE EFFECT 9 (B.D.G) M British 6-7-7 D Winglet (T) 5-1 Gods Solution, 8-1 Amigo Menor, So Careful, 7-1 Like Ambor, 6-1 Singing Star, Spittin Mick, 10-1 Cumbrian Express.

4.45 EBF CARLTON MINIOTT MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,488: 5f) (11) 6 AZUL BLUE 38 N Bycroft 6-11 ___ EXHELLA M H Easterby 6-11 ___ 5 HALLOWED GROUND IS C Wall 6-11 ..

13-8 She's Smart, 9-4 Latin Mass, 10-3 My Alma, 8-1 Exhelle, 10-1 Azul Blue, 12-1 others. 5.15 BET WITH THE TOTE STAKES (£3,622: 71) 7. 1.

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1 016- RED PADDY 224 (D.F.G.) P Mekin 5-9-13... Ni Roberts 2 380- GOVERNORSHIP 296 (F.G.) J Halls 5-0-10 R Wernhard 5-10 ORIENTAL SPLENBOUR 17 (D.F.G.) Miss S Hall 4-8-13N Commonton 5 0-01 EASTERN EMBER 7 (V,CD,F,G,S) S Norton 4-8-12 R Lappin (5) 2 6 -396 HNSHPOUR 14 (C,D,F,G,S) A Robson 8-8-7

8 0-02 LUST OF LOVE 18 (CD,F) Miss L Siddal 4-7-12

10 050- TOBERMORT BOY 200 (F,G) R Whitaker 13-7-7 7-2 Liusi Of Love, 4-1 Oriental Spiendour, 5-1 Eastel Ember, 8-1 Governership, 6-1 Superbrave, 18-1 Super Benz.

7.20 HAWTAL WHITING HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,448: 2m) (6) 1 5223 SHERWOOD GUNNER 10 (D.G.S) O Brennan 6-12-0

2 21-1 FOREST FLAME 12 (B,D,F,S) M Pipe 5-11-8 3 3000 FRENDLY FELLOW 25 (B,D,F,G) F Jordan 6-11-2 4 FO11 SLEEPLINE ROYALE 9 (D.F.G.S) R Holder 4-10-10 9-4 Forest Flame, 11-4 Valtaid, 4-1 Sherwood Gunner, 6-1 lepline Royale, 9-1 Frendly Fellow, 11-1 Touch Of Speed.

7.50 CHARLECOTE NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,360: 2m 5f) (7) 1 1011 NATHAN BLAKE 14 (B.D.F) K Bailey 5-12-0

5-4 Nathan Blake, 9-4 Gold Service, 4-1 Dark Sirona, 13-2 Prince's Court, 12-1 Super Trix, 14-1 others. 8.20 WALTER CHARLES CHALLENGE TROPHY (Novices Handicap Chase: £2,173: 2m 4f) (8) 4 9132 CHICO VALDEZ 8 (F) M Chapman 8-10-7

5 0234 GEE UP 12 D Greg 7-10-7 R Goddstrin 8 0033 NEW GAME 6 P Jones D-10-5 NON-RINNER 7 370P TRPER LAD 21 C Lee 8-10-5 D Gellegber 6 5402 TARA BOY 6 R France 5-10-5 6 J C Well 7-4 Gee Up. 11-4 Tara Boy, 9-2 Leventine Rose, 15-2 Chico Valdez, 8-1 London Windows, 10-1 Nearly Ready, 12-1 others.

8.50 GRUNWICK NATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE (£1,940: 2m) (25) 11 LITTLE SAIL 23 (F) R Holder 4-11-11. Mr A Farcant (7)
AFTER THE MURBER O Sherwood 5-11-7 A 8 Smith (7)
CODDINGTON VILLAGE R Brazington 5-11-7
Mr D Gugen (7) PRIST HAND O Sherwood 5-11-7 Mr J Durfain (7)

PREDDIS SWALLOW 30 P Davies 5-11-7 PREDDIS SWALLOW 30 P Davies 5-11-7

NIME H McCordl (7)
NEW ASSET P Hobbs 5-11-7

TRUE MAGGIC 120 O Murray Smith 5-11-7 P Verling (3)
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CELTIC WATERS 8 Christian 5-11-2 A Multipotand (3)
COUNTRY LIFE 33 R Sympson 4-11-2 Miles A Herwood
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DEEP CREVASSE 42 M Robinson 5-11-2

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50 LUCKACTIVE 32 C Jones 4-11-2 M Jones (5)

4 MAJOR PLAYER 33 R Weever 5-11-2 P Barnard (6)

PHAROAN'S SON M Pipe 4-11-2 P Barnard (7)

PROMPTER 0 Nicholson 4-11-2 D Bridgester (7)

ROPE F Walkeyn 4-11-2 Wir II Ouley

SPIRIT OF YOUTH M Univer 5-11-2 S Harris (7)

MIDWEEK MELODY 23 C Broad 4-10-11 P Nichembell (7)

angs MAD POWE 401 M Channel 4-10-11

MISS MARJORIE HILL M Chapman 4-10-11 9-4 Croghan Rose, 3-1 Little Sall, 4-1 Work To Win, 8-1 Rope, 8-1 After The Number, True Magic, 12-1 others.

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hampered 4½1 10th and PROFILIC 17th. SENTIE WOOSTER strong finishing 11 3rd to Alva) at Newmarket (67, good to firm) with PROFILIC (20 bears off) 3½ 9th, LUNA 8BD (2b better off) 11 10th and MONIGA 14th. JUST JENNINGS always prominent 2½ 3rd of 19 to Lomex in valuable handlesp at Asoot (7f, good to firm). CEE-EN-CEE ran on inside final furions to firmish tax 31 2nd of 15 to Amigo Menor on intest start in Lingfield handlesp (6f, good to firm).

Selection: LETSEEONESTABOLITIT

3.30 WINCHESTER HANDICAP (£6,628: 6f) (18 runners)

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Zanoni tailor-made for competitive Newmarket feature

By Mandarin (Michael Phillips)

ZANONI, from the successful local stable of Michael Jarvis, is my idea of the likely winner of the Coral Bookmakers Handicap Bt Newmarket 10day, and he is my nap with Bruce Raymond in the saddle. Being a half-brother by

Mummy's Pet to Forzando, who won seven times over six furlongs prior to be exported to the United States where he also did well, Zanoni has a pedigree that is tailor-made for this sort of race.

It was over today's course and distance that he opened his account last month. On that occasion he started at odds-on on the strength of promising runs as a two-yearold behind Muwfiq at York and Heart Of Joy at Newbury.

If Jarvis was disappointed at the time to see Zanoni scrape home by only a short head, he was encouraged after-wards by the knowledge that fellow Newmarket trainer William Jarvis thinks quite highly of the runner-up, Drum Sergeant.

What I liked about that race was the way that Zanoni and Drum Sergeant forged clear of their rivals in the final furlong.

In giving Zanoni 9st 2lh to carry this afternoon, the handicapper has certainly not taken any chances. Yet Jarvis, who learned the tricks of the trade when working for the late Towser Gosden at Lewes, is reasonably happy with the assessment.

" He is also aware that the handicapper has been able to get to grips with several of his opponents who have com- to be in Baden Baden today by

Chaddington.

Going: soft

6.30 Wylam. 7.0 Asitappens.

Draw: 5f-6f, high numbers best

HAMILTON PARK

Selections

By Mandarin 6.30 Allez-Oops, 7.0 Trip To The Moon, 7.30 Fair Wicker, 8.0 Imitate, 8.30 Elbio, 9.0 Great

By.Our Newmarket Correspondent

6.30 GEORGE JAMES PLANT LTD MAIDEN

AUCTION STAKES (3-Y-O: £2,394: 1m 4f) (9 runners)

1 4-0 WYLAM 28 M Tompides 8-12 P Burke 2
2 8 PAN E SALAM 21 Dr J Sourgil 6-11 M A Gilles (5) 7
3 50- HOLDPORTH 198 Denys Smith 8-10 — 6
4 6-86 MR OPTIMESTIC 16 J CYNNIG 6-10 — 1
5 PERSAN HOLES J Johnson 6-10 — Kim Tinkles 3
7 506 HMARI VISION 5 M Johnston 8-6 — R P Elliott 4
8 8 (DNGSLEY 67 M Johnston 6-6 — A Becon 6

5-2 Altaz-Copa, 3-1 Wylam, 9-2 Mr Optimistic, 6-1 Pan E Salam, 7-1 Hinari Vision, 10-1 Valo Prince, 14-1 Others.

7.0 CMPE HANDICAP STAKES (£2,742: 1m 1f) (18)

9 100- BURNDITCH GEFL 238 (5) Mrs G Reveloy 4-9-1 M A Giles (5) 11

10 803- STAY AWAKE 121 (F.G.) J O'Nell 4-9-1 14 A Giles (5) 11 14 301 HONEY BOY SMEA & (V.F.G.) M O'Nell 4-9-0 22 20-0 NEEDWOOD SPRITE 5 (G) B Morgan 4-8-13 15 50-0 SATIN LAIGE 15 8 Notion 3-8-6 18 18 40 LOCALITY 18 Don Cartoo Incres 5-8-3 Kism Trisider 12 15 60-0 BEN ROYALE 51 J Jefforson 3-7-12 16 18 -000 CAPITAL BULLDER 28 (8) I Semple 4-7-12 15 18 3406- POKEREE 189J O Moritait 7-7-7 P Delton (7) 8

7-2 Delsy Girl, 11-2 Mr Chris Cakemaker, 7-1 Sola Min, 8-1 tappens, Al Sharoef, 10-1 Satin Lake, 12-1 others.

Course specialists

8 256- ALLEZ-OOPS 222 Jimmy Fitzgerald 8-3

Routing (5.10).

At Newbury, it should not surprise to see Willie Carson win the first three races on Alton Bay (2.0), Hateel (2.30)

obviously be hard to beat in the Aston Park Stakes, having won the St Simon Stakes on the track last autumn.

However, even after making every allowance for the fact that it was her first race of the season, it was still disappointing to see Sesame finish last in the Jockey Club Stakes at Newmarket

Rudjig, who was deemed good enough to contest the Italian Derby last year, could prove the answer now that he will be getting weight from her, having won so easily at Warwiek recently.

Hateel, my choice for the London Gold Cup, missed two earlier engagements this week especially to wait for this particular target. After that sound effort in the City and Suburban Handicap over a trip short of his ideal at Epsom, I just give him pref-erence over Lord David S and Castle Clown.

Also, following good runs in better company, Sacred Num-ber (4.0) and Emperor Fountain (4.30) look best in the two divisions of the Shaw Maiden

Blinkered first time NEWBURY: 4.0 Daadlock, NEWMARKET: 2.35 Trincomales, HAMRITON PARK: 7.30 Lowbard Thatch, THIRSK: 2.45 Miss Calculate, LINGFIELD PARK: 7.10 Lucky Oak, Royal Hunt, SOUTHWELL 6.45 Rum Jockey, 7.45 Kali Kopeliu, 8.45 Brigadlars Glory.

7-2 Fair Wicket, 5-1 Miss Deliah, 6-1 Fiesola, The Fink Slaters, 8-1 Victory Torch, 10-1 Gushy, 12-1 others.

8.0 LUDDON CONSTRUCTION MAIDEN FILLIES

6-4 Imitate, 2-1 Sunday Sport Gern, 11-2 F S Williams, 10-1 De Valora, 12-1 Liselon

8.30 PETER YARWOOD LTD HAMA HIRE MAIDEN

9.0 NORTH BRITISH TRACTORS AMATEUR RIDERS HANDICAP (£2,406: 51) (12)

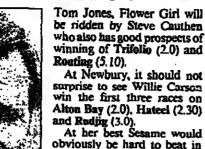
1 -224 GREAT CHADDINGTON 9 (BF,D,G,S) J Berry 5-12-0

2 -500 BALKAN LEADER 12 (B,CD,F,G) J FtzGaraid 8-11-13

DE VALERA W Bentley 5-11 J Bleantele 1
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STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,280: 6f) (5)

STAKES (3-Y-O: £2,507: 6f) (10)



Michael Jarvis: high hopes for Zanoni

peted against one another Biready this season, most notably Case Law. Night At Sea, Metal Boys, Prohibition, Bold Lez and Tara's Girl.

In the circumstances, I will

not be surprised if Come On

Rosi turns out to be Zanoni's most troublesome rival for she, like Zanoni, is relatively under exposed with only three races behind her. And like Zanoni, she also did well to win first time out this season at Kempton, considering where she was drawn. Interestingly, her trainer David Elsworth, who has enjoyed a good week already, eventually opted for a crack at the handicap instead of the Queensberry Fillies' Stakes. I am sure that he was right because Flower Girl appears to have a good chance of winning the latter race, having run so well against Dayjur BI

As Richard Hills is required

Nottingham last time.

2.00 Alton Bay. 2.30 Hatcel. 2.00 Alton Bay. 2.30 Angel Bright. 3.00 Rudjig. 3.30 Berlie Wooster. 4.00 Sacred Number. 4.30 Emperor Fountain. 3.00 RUDJIG (nap). 3.30 ----4.00 Sacred Number. 4,30 Emperor Fountain. 5.00 Lost Innocence. 5.00 Lost Innocence. Michael Seely's selection 2.30 Castle Clown. Going: good to firm Draw: high numbers have slight advantage up to 1m straight 2.0 MAY MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £3,722: 6f) (10 runners) (BBG1 W Carson S Rouse 181 (3) W Noutes J Wilgess R Fox W Ryan M Hilla T Quien NORTHERN RAINBOW (G.Johnson) P Cole 9-0... PUNCH WRUN (R Bernard) R Henrich 9-0..... BETTING: 13-8 Northern Rambow, 3-1 Alton Bay, 4-1 Huso, 9-2 Toms Prospect, 10-1 Bold Nachew. 1989: NORTHERN GODDESS 8-9 J Matthias (5-1) I Beiding 9 ran FORM FOCUS CAPITAL BOND supported in the market prior to finishing just over \$1 6th to itsageme at Doncester (51, good to firm). ALTON BAY (Foeled April 11) cost 10,000ges as a yearing and is Doncester (51, good to firm). ALTON BAY (Foeled April 11) cost 10,000ges as a yearing and is April 9) cost 92,000ges and is by Al Naar out of a mare who won in the States. BOLD NEPHEW (Foeled February 8) cost 47,000ges a supering and is a first foel by top class sprinter hever So Bold out of a mare who won over 1m 41. I he Selection 2.30 LONDON GOLD CUP HANDICAP (£7,876: 1m 3f) (13 runners) (BBC1) 201 (7) 2020-20 MARRINE DIVER 25 (G) (C Shiscoles) P Cole 4-10-0. T Guins 202 (8) 1140- BOLD POX 189 (F,0) (Blue Chip Racing Pic) G Harwood 4-9-11. A McGlose 203 (2) 22116-2 LORD DAVID B 32 (EF,F,G) (H Kaskel) B Hills 4-0-10. M Hills 204 (10) 11164-0 RICHARL 35 (F) (K Abdurla) B Herwood 4-9-10. M Hills 205 (4) 1/2109-2 CASTLE CLOWN 32 (V,FS) (Laby Marstord) Lady Herries 5-0-2. WR Switzbarn 206 (11) 1031-12 (MATEEL 25 (P) (H Al-Makdoum) P Wathlyn 4-9-0. W Carpool 207 (13) 50/6113- QUEEN ANGEL 344 (D,F) (Mrs B Fairbarns) Miss B Sandars 4-8-11. W Hermes 208 (1) 915011- FRIST VICTORY 194 (F,G) (D Seels) R Harmon 4-8-6. B Rouse 209 (5) 53342-0 SUPER LUNAR 10 (F,G) (D Seels) R Harmon 4-8-13. C Rutus 210 (6) 252-250 ANGEL BRIGHT 12 (A Gawthrop) E Edin 4-7-12. P Fest 211 (5) 40014-4 COOL RUN 12 (F,G.5) (Mrs M Thomas) B McMahon 5-7-10. G Hind (5) 212 (3) 240-800 POLAR VISION 17 (V) (R Beremon) C C Elsey 4-7-9. N Adams 4 213 (12) 04816-0 NAZMAH 57 (8) (A Hotelsta) A Hide 4-7-7. Delle Gibson (3) 210 (12) (13) 240-800 POLAR VISION 17 (8) (4 Hotelsta) A Hide 4-7-7. Delle Gibson (3) Long handlesp: Nazmish 7-6. BETTING: 11-4 Lord David S, 4-1 Castle Clown, 9-2 Hateel, 7-1 Blennia, 8-1 Bold Fox, 9-1 First Victory, 10-1 Manne Diver, 12-1 others. 1989: MY LAMB 4-10-0 R Hills (9-1) R Johnson Houghton 12 ran FORM FOCUS MARINE DIVER, dishad earlier put up a much better effort when %1 2nd to Betshoot at Kempton (1m 2f, firm). LOND DAVID 8 was very heavily backed when a creditable %1 2nd to Brackeds (winner next time) at Newmatict (1m 2f, good) with ANGEL BRIGHT (11b) better off) 7%1 5tb. CASTLE CLOWN unable to quicken when 41 2nd to Startet at Kempton (1m 2f, good) with POLAR VISelection: LORD DAVID 8 3.0 ASTON PARK STAKES (Listed race: £10,566: 1m 5f 60yd) (9 02521-6 SESAME 18 (C,F,G,S) (C Spence) II Morley 5-9-1 WR Safaburn 681135- LANDYAP 374 (F) (Drammohr Investments Ltd.) O Eleworth 6-9-11 B Rouse 21/ MUTHAIGA 581 (G) (A Bangough) J Toller 4-9-11 W Nammee 3/625-1 RUDJAG 32 (F) (Shelich Mohammad) J Goeden 4-9-11 W Carsten BY RIPPRESSION 30J (G Comben) H Candy 4-9-8 C Rutter 054-4 ROSGILL 18 (Brigadier Reeing) P Machael 4-9-8 W Ryan 21160-4 AMELIANNE 11 (F) (H Senn) O Eleworth 4-9-5 J Williams 154403- DALEY DANCER 25 (F,G,S) (J Benbow) B McMinth 6-8-8 T Galler 154403- DALEY DANCER 25 (F,G,S) (J Benbow) B McMinth 6-8-8 T Benber 154403- DALEY DANCER 25 (F,G,S) (J Benbow) B McMinth 6-8-8 T Benber 154403- DALEY DANCER 25 (F,G,S) (J Benbow) B McMinth 6-8-8 T Benber 154403- DALEY DANCER 25 (F,G,S) (J Benbow) B McMinth 6-8-8 T Benber 154403- DALEY DANCER 25 (F,G,S) (J Benbow) B McMinth 6-8-8 T Benber 154403- DALEY DANCER 25 (F,G,S) (J Benbow) B McMinth 6-8-8 T Benber 154403- DALEY DANCER 25 (F,G,S) (J Benbow) B McMinth 6-8-8 T Benber 154403- DALEY DANCER 25 (F,G,S) (J Benbow) B McMinth 6-8-8 T Benber 154403- DALEY DANCER 25 (F,G,S) (J Benbow) B McMinth 6-8-8 T Benber 154403- DALEY DANCER 25 (F,G,S) (J Benbow) B McMinth 6-8-8 T Benber 154403- DALEY DANCER 25 (F,G,S) (J Benbow) B McMinth 6-8-8 T Benber 154403- DALEY DANCER 25 (F,G,S) (J Benbow) B McMinth 6-8-8 T Benber 154403- DALEY DANCER 25 (F,G,S) (J Benbow) B McMinth 6-8-8 T Benber 154403- DALEY DANCER 25 (F,G,S) (J Benbow) B McMinth 6-8-8 T Benber 154403- DALEY DANCER 25 (F,G,S) (J Benbow) B McMinth 6-8-8 T Benber 154403- DALEY DANCER 25 (F,G,S) (J Benbow) B McMinth 6-8-8 T Benber 154403- DALEY DANCER 25 (F,G,S) (J Benbow) B McMinth 7-9-8 T Benber 154403- DALEY DANCER 25 (F,G,S) (J Benbow) B McMinth 7-9-8 T Benber 154403- DALEY DANCER 25 (F,G,S) (J Benbow) B McMinth 7-9-8 T Benber 154403- DALEY DANCER 25 (F,G,S) (J Benbow) B McMinth 7-9-8 T Benber 154403- DALEY DANCER 25 (F,G,S) (J Benbow) B McMinth 7-9-8 T Benber 154403- DALEY DANCER 25 (F,G,S) (J Benbow) B McMinth 7-9-8 T Benber 154403- DALEY DANCER 25 (F,G,S) (J Be 7.30 DALLFIELD CONSTRUCTION SELLING HANDICAP (£2,868: 1m 40yd) (16) 09 (2) FARRYELDS CONE 136, (Hrs C Holder) R Declar 7-8-3 18 Best BETTING: 15-8 Sesame, 5-2 Amelianna, 3-1 Rudiig, 8-1 Landyap, 10-1 Multiaigs, 18-1 others. 1989: ALBADR 4-8-12 M Roberts (2-1) R Amstrong 7 ran

FORM FOCUS SESANE, last of 7 in a Group II event at the second of the se NEWMARKET Selections By Our Newmarket By Mandarin Correspondent 2.00 Trifblio. 2.00 Trifolio. 2.35 Pointe Of Law. 3.10 Hajade. 2.35 Prince Livermore. 3.10 Hajade.

NEWBURY: Selections By Our Newmarket By Mandarin Correspondent 505 (3) 506 (13) 507 (1) 508 (11) 509 (10) 610 (3) 511 (8) 512 (7) 513 (4) 801 (18) 602 (11) 803 (15) 504 (4) 605 (12) 3.40 Zanoni. 3.40 ZANONI (nap). 4.10 Flower Girl. 4.10 Flower Girl. 40 Touch Of White. 4.40 Lucedeo. 5.10 Routing. 5.10 Routing. By Michael Seely 3.10 MAXIMILIAN (nap). 3.40 Come On Rosi. The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 4.10 FLOWER GIRL. Draw: no advantage 1989: WELD 9-0 B Raymond (11-10 fav) W Jarvis 7 ran

2.0 MATTHEW DAWSON MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-O: £3,600: 1m 6f) (5 runners) BETTING: 4-6 Tritolio, 3-1 Taroom, 4-1 Certain Creator, 25-1 Spider Woman, 33-1 Chryd Lodge. 2.35 GINISTRELLI CLAIMING STAKES (3-Y-O: 23,132: 1m 4f) (13 runners) 1 (12) 00-201 PRINCE LIVERMORE 11 (F) (F Kella) N Callaghan 9-1 8 Raymond 9: 150 85 INNOCLATION 10 IK Abdullal Mrs L Piggott 9-13 SCanther 1 (12) 00-207 PRINCE LIVERMORE 11 (F) (F Kolis) N Collaghan 9-1 8 Raymond 93 2 (13) 85 TRIVOCATION 10 (K Abdulla) Mrs L. Piggott 8-13 5 Caustine 83 (2) 95335-5 HARD TO GET 11 (Sunflower Partnership) J Wharton 8-11 A Shoults 93 4 (11) 0000-4 SPOFFORTH 11 (S Tindell) II Prichard-Gordon 8-11 W Hood 91 1 JULTY CONSCIENCE (F James) P Burgoyns 8-9 J Carter 9 (S) 640-344 WOODCOCK WONDER 24 (B Barrett) J Jenkins 8-9 J Carter 9 (9) 000-0 PALACE COURT 12 (B) (C Cousnis) P Burgoyns 8-7 G Duffleld 9 (10) 540- BUNDLE OF LUCK 191 (Baron F Oppenheim) John FizeGerâld 8-4 J Fortuse (S) 89 (10) 540- BUNDLE OF LUCK 191 (Baron F Oppenheim) John FizeGerâld 8-4 J Fortuse (S) 89 (16) 550- BUNDLE OF LUCK 191 (Baron F Oppenheim) John FizeGerâld 8-4 J Fortuse (S) 89 (16) 550- BUNDLE OF LUCK 191 (Baron F Oppenheim) John FizeGerâld 8-4 J Fortuse (S) 89 (16) 550- BUNDLE OF LUCK 191 (Baron F Oppenheim) John FizeGerâld 8-4 J Fortuse (S) 89 (16) 550- BUNDLE OF LUCK 191 (Baron F Oppenheim) John FizeGerâld 8-4 J Fortuse (S) 89 (16) 50 (16) 3 (2) 4 (15) 5 (14) 6 (6) 7 (10) 8 (4) · 6 (7) 3.10 GEORGE LAMBTON MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-O: £3,844: 1m) (11 S Coutlen
H Cartisle
Mercus
P Brette J Weaver (7)

J Weaver (7)

S Crossley

J Fortune (5)

G Deffeld

Ren Hillie (5)

B Reymond

R Sidebottom

Long hundlesp: Tortus 7-5. BETTING: 5-1 Bertie Wooster, 11-2 Very Adjacent, 8-1 Luna Bid, Moniga, 8-1 Just Jennings, Tyrian Belle, 10-1 Hannah's Boy, Milno's Way, 12-1 Rotherfield Greys, 18-1 chars. 1899: MAKE OR MAR 5-8-10 S Whitworth (5-7) J Jenkins 13 ren FORM FOCUS LETSBEONESTABOLITHT respectable 11 3rd of 17 to Gratic intest start in Salisbury
bardicap (74, firm), praviously driven out to defeat
Bayshaen 2%8 on the same course (84, firm) with
CEE-EN-CEE (8th better off) head 3rd and MASNUN
(8th better off) 3%1 8th.
VERY ADJACENT riction out to defeat Plain Fact
short-head on penultimase surt last term at
Goodwood (81, firm) with ROTHERFIELD GREYS
(14th better off) 2%1 3rd, MASNUN (8th better off) 4.0 SHAW MAIDEN STAKES (Div 1: 3-Y-O: 23,875: 1m 2f) (13 runners)

W Howe W Howes S Horsfell M Hitte T Cloke — W Ryter • 99 BETTING: 7-4 Secred Number, 3-1 Randama, 8-1 Rubdan, 7-1 Coptord, 8-1 Erevnon, 10-1 Muzo, 12-1 others. WES 1988: YAL RECIT 9-0 S Cauthen (5-1) R Armstrong 17 ran 4.30 SHAW MAIDEN STAKES (Div II: 3-Y-O: £3,844: 1m 2f) (13 runners) ## MAJUEN STAKES (DIV II: 3-Y-O: £3,844: 1m 2f) (13 r

B- AL BATAL 186 (H Al-Meldoum) J Dunlop 9-0

BUONARROTT (C St.George) H Cacil 9-0

35-38 CAPABILITY BROWN 29 (BF) (A Perry) D Morley 9-0

9-0 CHATEAUNEUF 28 (R Sangstar) B Hills 9-0

23- DOCHAR 270 (F Salman) P Cole 9-0

34 EMPEROR FOUNTAIN 16 (Duke of Devonshire) J 7oller 9-0

8 DOLDIEN BIVOT 21 (M Hefferman) A Stewart 9-0

5-0 OXIOW 12 (A Cidrey) P Wahayn 9-0

ROYAL HUNTER (S Khalled) J Dunlop 9-0

ROYAL STANDARD (Shellch Mohammed) J Gooder 9-0

6 MAHAT 22 (Prince Yazid Saud) R Johnson Houghton 8-9

WELL AND TRULY (M Duff) C C Elsay 9-0

39- WHAT A SAVE 194 (P Shilton) R Hennon 8-9

WHAT A SAVE 194 (P Shilton) R Hennon 8-9 W Canster W Ryan R Swinbten M Hills W Newses W Wherton C Rutier . A Clark BETTING: 13-8 Emperor Fountain, 3-1 Buonarroti, 4-1 Chateauneul, 5-1 Doolar, 8-1 Royal Standard, 10-1 Al Batni, 14-1 others. 5.0 HEADLEY HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £4,932: 1m) (14 runners) cap: Rasheed 7-6. SETTING: 7-2 Lost innocence, 9-2 Januar, 8-1 On So Ricky, 7-1 Culnum Royale, 8-1 Penerti Milifields Lady, Petipe, 12-1 Others. 1989: MIDFIELDER 3-8-12 G Butter 12-1 (P Wateryn) 20 ran Course specialists **JOCKEYS** Guide to our in-line racecard 103 (12) Q-0432 GOOD TIMES 74 (CO,BF,F,G,S) (Mrs O Robinson) B Hall 9-19-0 B West (4) 48 Receard number. Draw in brackets. Sti-figure form (F - tetl. P - pulled up. U - unseated rider. B - brought sown. S - slipped up. R - returned. (F - firm, good to firm, hard. G - good. O - disquelified). Horse's name. Days since last S - soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in cuting: J if jumps, F if flet. (B - blinkers, brackets. Trainer. Age and weight. Rider V - visor. H - nood. E - Eyecheld. C - course and thandcapper's rating. 1-6 ALWATHBA 32 (CLF) (Sheath Ahmed Al-Mektoum) L Cumani 8-7 J Forland 96
111424- ROYAL FI FI 211 (DLF) (Herryk De Kwiatkowski) Mrs L Pogodi 8-7 B Crossley 94
130-42 FLOWER GRL 16 (DLF) (W Gredby) H Thorison Jones 8-11 S Cauthen 9 89
18-0 SRLYER ORE 38 (DLF) (A Fouston) W O'Gormen 8-11 A Messo 90
08 LOCAL LASS 16 (A Notmen) C British 6-7 B Messo 91 BETTING: 6-4 Alwashba, 9-4 Flower Girl, 5-1 Royal Fi Fi, 6-1 Silver Ore, 20-1 Local Lass. 1969: KHAYDARA 6-7 L Dettori (13-8 favi L Cumani 9 ran FORM FOCUS ALWATHEA showed pleary of promise on her only start less seeson when beating Hasbert a start-Head at Asoct (6f, good to firm); blasts 5½ if 5th of 8 to Heer Of Joy in the Group III Neil Gwyn Stakes to Newmarket (7f, good). The Group III Neil Gwyn Stakes to Newmarket (7f, good). The Group III Neil Gwyn Stakes to Newmarket (7f, good). The Group III Neil Gwyn Stakes to Newmarket (7f, good). The Group III Neil Gwyn Stakes to Her Region (1m 1f, firm), LOCAL LASS 41 7th of 18 to Model Village (7t, good to firm). Selection: ALWATHEA 4.40 RICHARD MARSH HANDICAP (£4,464: 5f) (8 runners) FORM FOCUS LUCEDED boat Almost Blue a nk at
York (5f. good) on Wednesdey; seriler beat R A
Express 2% at Beverley (5f. firm) with CANTORIS
(2/to beater off) a Short-head 3rd.
TOUCH OF WHITE beat Craft Express % at Doncaster (5f. good to Rim) with LUCEDEO (5lb worse) 5.10 FELIX LEACH MAIDEN AUCTION STAKES (2-Y-O: £4,027: 81) (18 runners) EACH MAIDEN AUCTION STAKES (2-Y-O: \$4,027
SIR BANCROFT (D Prico) H Collingridge 6-1.
CARRESREA CUIDDY (Mrs 8 Crompton) J Scargill 8-11
ROUTING (A Dumbrail) M Boll 8-11
REZA (A Umantanna) G Huffor 8-16.
SCREEN SEREMADE (F Kallewey) P Kellewey 8-8.
HIDEPENDENT AIR (B Gower) O Trom 8-8.
DEADLY TOUCH (J Dwight) P Howing 8-5.
SOMERSAULTING (M Burber) A Davison 8-5.
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CARN MAIRE (GLD (P Inchard-Gordon) R Stryth 8-2.
REVERAIN (M HII) M Janvis 8-2.
3 ELUSIVE SPIRIT 46 (Mrs J Martin) J Scargill 8-1.
GLENELIANE (Mrs R Smith) Pat Mitchell 8-0
IN CONCERT (Woodberry Ltd) M Brittain 8-0
GUALITAIR PROMISE (P Bottomiley) J Bonomiley 8-0. J Chalen 16 (13) 11 (8) 12 (1) 13 (5) 14 (15) 16 (9) 19 (12) . H Certicle BETTING: 11-4 Madagens Grey, 4-1 Routing, 8-1 Riversin, 7-1 Elusive Spirit, 10-1 Sir Bancroft, 12-1 Screen Serenade, 14-1 Cambrea Cuddy, 18-1 others. 1989: CALL TO ARMS 6-12 B Raymond (8-1) C Brittain 12 ran On Tiptoes has Beverley date ON TIPTOES, the 5-t putsider of the party, was never headed in the Ditch Fillies Stakes at Newmarket yesterday, and scored by two lengths to give Gainsborough trainer Jim Leigh his first Headquarters winner with only his she is good enough she would go for the Queen Mary at Royal Ascot," added "We have also put her in the £100,000 Racecall Gold Trophy at Redear. I am (F) (A) sure there is strong improvement in her." Leigh recalled: "I brought another two-year-old filly here called Jury a long time ago and she ran well to finish fourth. I hope this one is a lot better than The bookmakers enjoyed another outsider, at 33-1, when course specialist Mango Manila burst through late to foil the front-running 20-1 shot Tauber in the Brandon Handicap.

SOUTHWELL

Selections By Mandarin

6:15 Scales Of Justice. 6.45 Commanche Nation. 7.15 Dream Of Tomorrow. 7.45 Royal Fan. 8.15 Cavalla 8.45 Aitch N'Bee.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent 6.15 Villa Bianca. 6.45 Commanche Nation. 7.15 Carmen's Joy. 7.45 Burtonwood Harp. 8.15 Express Edition. 8.45 Sound Music.

Going: standard Draw: 7f, low numbers best 8.15 SAAB CO CLASSIC STAKES (22,574: 1m 4f)

(13 FUNDERS)

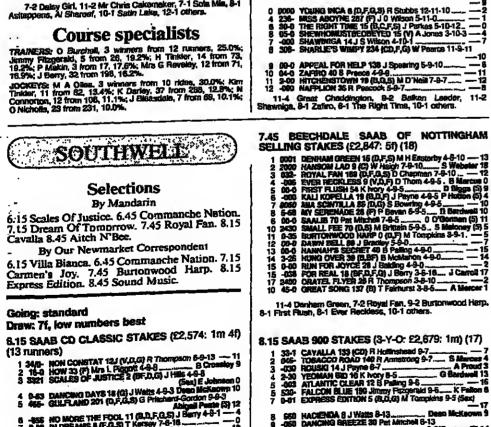
1 34g- NON CONSTAT 12J (V.D.G) R Thompson 6-9-13
2 16-0 HOW 23 (F) Mrs 1, Piggot 4-9-8 B Crossley
3 3221 SCALES OF JUSTICE 2 (Br.D.G) J Hills 4-9-8
(Sex.) E Johnson
4 0-53 DANCENG DAYS 18 (G) J Weits 4-9-3 Deen Mickeown 1
5 466- GULFLAND 201 (D.F.G.S) G Prichard-Gordon 9-9-3
8 -455 HO MORE THE FOOL 11 (B.D.F.Q.S) J Berry 4-9-1
7 0-40 BH DREAMS 8 (F.Q.S) T Kersey 7-8-18 (1-1)
8 01-5 VILLA BLANCA 10 (S) N Grahem 4-8-1 (1-1)
9 00-0 DOCTON'S REMEDY 12J M Tas 4-7-9 (1-1)
18 000 QUALITAIR DUTCHESS 24 (S) J Bottombry 5-7-7
G Bacthesi 7

11 FLAME FLOWER 1340J H Kernick 8-7-7 R Street 12 005- ATTILA THE MONEY 239 B Bowring 8-7-7 13 00/ SHAKIRA BLEND 575J R Dickin 5-7-7 15-8 Scales Of Justice, 11-4 How, 4-1 Villa Blanca, 13-2 Guilland, 8-1 Daneing Days, 10-1 Flame Flower, 12-1 others. 6.45 BEECHDALE KOPPARFORS RALLY MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-O: £2,526; 1m 3f) (10)

1 -826 ALSAAMER 14.5 Norton 9-0 2 0-4 COMMANCHE HATTON 32 (8) Mrs L Piggost 9-0 3 0-3 FAR TOO LOUD 7 Jimmy Fitzgerald 9-0 K Fallen 6
4 89-0 HINTLESPANI HARRY 16 G PRICHER-GORDON 10-1 5 S NYFONTABLE 37 K hory 9-0. Deen McClooms 1 D Biggs (5) 5 00 FILM JOCKEY 18 (1) P Devan 9-0. G Bandwall (7 9-05 SALPBIRDOR DENNIN 7 S Bowring 9-0. S Webster 18 8 AGE OF POSIANCE 194 J Bradley 8-9 -220 J SIZE ICE 18 (6F) B Hills 9-9 -220 J SIZE ICE 18 (6F) B Hills 9-9 -200 J SIZE ICE 18 (6F) B Hills 9-9 -5 O'Gorman (5) 9 00 SIXOW SIXY 197 Pet Mitchell 6-8 - 5 O'Gorman (5) 9 500 SIXOW SIXY 197 Pet Mitchell 6-8 - 5 O'Gorman (5) 9 500 SIXOW SIXY 197 Pet Mitchell 6-8 - 5 O'Gorman (5) 9 500 SIXOW SIXY 197 Pet Mitchell 6-8 - 5 O'Gorman (5) 9 500 SIXOW SIXY 197 Pet Mitchell 6-8 - 5 O'Gorman (5) 9 500 SIXOW SIXY 197 Pet Mitchell 6-8 - 5 O'Gorman (5) 9 500 SIXOW SIXY 197 Pet Mitchell 6-8 - 5 O'GORMAN (5) 9 500 SIXOW SIXY 197 Pet Mitchell 6-8 - 5 O'GORMAN (5) 9 500 SIXOW SIXY 197 Pet Mitchell 6-8 - 5 O'GORMAN (5) 9 500 SIXOW SIXY 197 Pet Mitchell 6-8 - 5 O'GORMAN (5) 9 500 SIXOW SIXY 197 Pet Mitchell 6-8 - 5 O'GORMAN (5) 9 500 SIXOW SIXY 197 Pet Mitchell 6-8 - 5 O'GORMAN (5) 9 500 SIXOW SIXY 197 Pet Mitchell 6-8 - 5 O'GORMAN (5) 9 500 SIXOW SIXY 197 Pet Mitchell 6-8 - 5 O'GORMAN (5) 9 500 SIX 197 Pet Mitchell 6-8 - 5 O'GORMAN (5) 9 500 SIXOW SIXY 197 Pet Mitchell 6-8 - 5 O'GORMAN (5) 9 500 SIXOW SIXY 197 Pet Mitchell 6-8 - 5 O'GORMAN (5) 9 500 SIXOW SIXY 197 Pet Mitchell 6-8 - 5 O'GORMAN (5) 9 500 SIX 197 Pet Mitchell 6-8 - 5 O'GORMAN (5) 9 500 SIX 197 Pet Mitchell 6-8 - 5 O'GORMAN (5) 9 500 SIX 197 Pet Mitchell 6-8 - 5 O'GORMAN (5) 9 500 SIX 197 Pet Mitchell 6-8 - 5 O'GORMAN (5) 9 500 SIX 197 Pet Mitchell 6-8 - 5 O'GORMAN (6) 9 500 SIX 197 Pet Mitchell 6-8 - 5 O'GORMAN (6) 9 500 SIX 197 Pet Mitchell 6-8 - 5 O'GORMAN (6) 9 500 SIX 197 Pet Mitchell 6-8 - 5 O'GORMAN (6) 9 500 SIX 197 Pet Mitchell 6-8 - 5 O'GORMAN (6) 9 500 SIX 197 Pet Mitchell 6-8 - 5 O'GORMAN (6) 9 500 SIX 197 Pet Mitchell 6-8 - 5 O'GORMAN (6) 9 500 SIX 197 Pet Mitchell 6-8 - 5 O'GORMAN (6) 9 500 SIX 197 Pet Mitchell 6-8 - 5 O'GORMAN (6) 9 500 SIX 197 Pet Mitchell 6-8 - 5 O'GORMAN (6) 9 500 SIX 197 Pet Mitchell 6-8 - 5 O'GORMAN (6) 9 500 SIX 197 Pet Mitc

6-4 Commanche Nation, 7-2 Alsagmer, 11-21 See los, 8-1 teitham Harry, 10-1 Far Too Loud, 12-1 others. 7.15 BEECHDALE CARLSSON MAIDEN STAKES

1 2 SREAM OF TOMORROW 18 J Berry 9-0 J Carroll 3
2 80 GREY COMMANDER 15 M Sintain 9-0 J Carroll 3
3 GARMEN'S JOY M Prescrit 8-9 G Defeat 4
5 GARMEN'S JOY M Prescrit 8-9 G Bardwel 1
5 GOES GREY K Novy 8-9 G Bardwel 1
6 GREENSIDE R Thompson 8-9 G Bardwel 1
7 G TEENY POP 19 0 Thom 8-9 2
7 G TEENY POP 19 0 Thom 8-9 2
7 Carmen's Joy, 5-2 Dreem Of Tomorrow, 4-1 Flight Of Pleasure, 13-2 God's Gitt, 10-1 Teeny Pop, 14-1 others.



5	10 2430 SMALL FEE 70 (D.5) M British 5-9-5. S Malconey (5) 5 11 0-35 BURTONWOOD HARP 0 (D.F) M Tompkins 3-9-1. — 7 12 00-0 DAWN SELL 89 J Bradley 5-9-0. — 15 13 00-0 HAMNAH'S SECRET 40 B Paling 4-9-0. — 15 14 3-25 KIMR OVER 39 (D.8) B McMarion 4-9-0. — 14 15 0-00 RUN FOR JOYES 25 J Badding 4-9-0. — 2 15 -038 FOR REAL 18 (B.F.D.F.Q) J Barry 3-8-16 J Carroll 17 17 2450 ORATEL FLYEN 28 R Thompson 3-8-10. — 2	
•	10 45-0 QREAT SONG 137 (B) T Fairnurs: 3-8-5 A Mescer 1 11-4 Denhern Green, 7-2 Royal Fan, 9-2 Bustonwood Harp, 8-1 First Flush, 8-1 Ever Recidess, 10-1 others.	,
)	8.15 SAAB 900 STAKES (3-Y-O: £2,679: 1m) (17)	1
1	1 33-1 CAYALLA 133 (CD) R Hollinshead 9-7	
3	2 066- TOBACCO ROAD 160 Ft America 9-7 5 Marces 9 3 050 HOUSE 14 J Payine 6-7	ן ו
2	7 D-DI EXPRESS ELITION S (SLUCY IN TOURISS S S (SEE)	
9	9 -050 DANCHING BRIEZZE 30 Pat Mitchell 6-13 0 O'Gorman (5) 14 10 0-00 BACK RAISE 39 S Norton 6-13 2 1 D-00 SONG OF GYNICRAIX 9 (5) M H Essarby 8-4 M Birch 12 13 2 353 BNG ECK 9 (8-5) M British 8-2	
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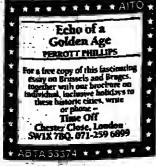
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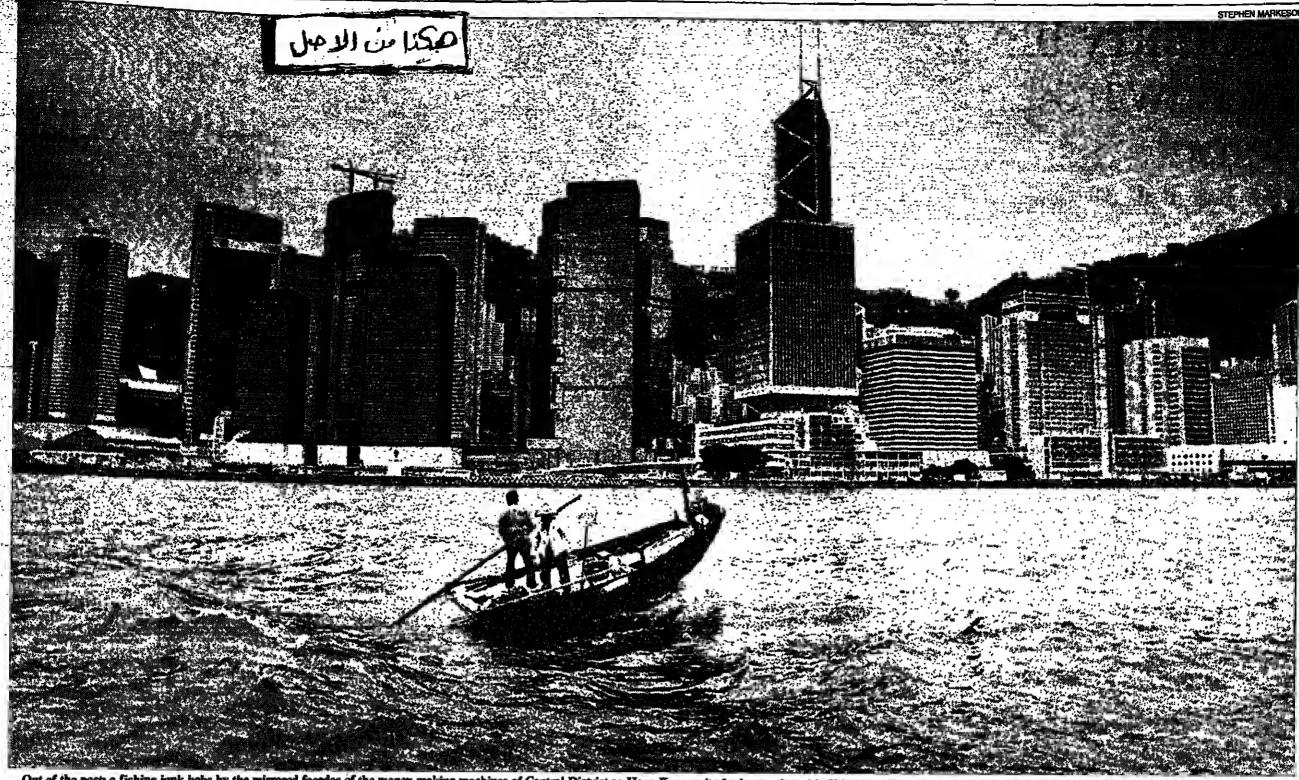
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ong Kong does not grow on people. It is not a take-it-or-leave-it place. An irrevocable decision, to delight in the city or detest it, is generally made on the briefest of first acquaintance. This may be because there is no

way of sneaking up on Hong Kong, of getting in at the shallow end. Whether you arrive by rail via China, drop through the clouds at rooftop height, or sail in out of the sunset, arriving involves a face-to-face encounter with Hong Kong harbour which is a dig in anyone's emotional ribs. On sunny mornings when a

breeze puts a chop in the water, junks of ancient design dip crazily about their business, slicing close to venerable Star Ferries, amphisbacnic for endlessly repeated voy- his mien correctly, for he is ages between Kowloon Peninsula property inscrutable, he is not and Hong Kong Island.

On soggy days when the skyhangs low, the city shines in the narrow gap between water and vapour like a promising seam of ore. Swags of cloud slide past their own reflections on cliffs of mirrored curtain walling, behind which the money-making ma-chines of Central District hum and

At night Hong Kong shimmers with a high-intensity glitter. A million lights bounce off hard surfaces, multiplied by water, by diamonds, by eyes shining in anticipation of a lucky wager, a good dinner, cold beer, love, laughter, and the excitement of

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lives accelerating uncontrollably towards inevitable but unknowable change. No future, corporate or personal, can be planned except in the knowledge that in 1997 Hong Kong stops being British and becomes wholly Chinese. We, the colonizing leaseholders, now refer to Hong Kong with distanc-ing tact, or callousness, as a territory. To the millions born and living there it is the only home, British or Chinese, they are ever

likely to know, Before Tiananmen Square the future was uncertain, but not palpably dreaded. A Chinaman of the world whom I have known for a number of years no longer makes once-frequeot journeys from Hong Kong, where he prospers, to China, where he was born. If I read fearful, but ashamed.

elever civil servant. another Hong Kong Chinese success story, who has the option of moving to Britain, plans, like many others, to make his move, should it come to that, to another country in the Pacific basin. His sees this as the area of the world most likely to flourish. He, like everybody one asks, hopes that their lives in Hong Kong will carry oo much as before. Optimists continue to favour hope, pessimists the worst. A majority is fatalistic and tries not to think too far ahead. Seven years, they say, is a long way in the future for a man as old as China's

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In the meantime inhibited Chinese fuelled oo brandy let their hair down in Karaoke lounges, performing lustily to sing-along videos which are the latest craze imported from Japan.

In the meantime white women, who are of course pink but are always called European, try to ignore their shining noses and perspiration patches and how exasperatingly well their Oriental sisters keep both face and figure into coolly elegant old age.

In the meantime the accents of the almost too smoothly pinstriped young city types are

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iocreasingly Harvard where once they were Harrow.

And in the meantime, despite a proliferation of air-conditioned shopping malls riddled with Armani, Ashley et al., despite ever more of the climatized high-level walkways which segregate the very well dressed from the less so at street level, eod despite skyscraping towers of offices and flats appearing with the suddenoess of mushrooms on every horizon, Hong Kong retains its raffish entrepot air. Real trams clank the length of

Wanchai and Central districts for fares that are pennies, offering from the unglazed upper windows constant views of the passing throng and glimpses of the great cargo ships in the roads being ea arouoa by of lighters.

Fragrant Harbour is what the name Hong Kong means, but pollution poses fragrancy prob-lems these days. Despite unseen microbiological threats to the human gut, small boys throng the sea walls filling old tins with tiny fish that are plainly intended for the wok. Their mothers and their sisters and their grannics and their aunts meantime, the older women still often seen in traditional dress of tunic and trousers, scour the markets for the crispest vegetables and the liveliest fish. Freshness is a fetish which accounts, in part, for the city's high reputation as a gastrooomic showcase for regional styles of Chinese cooking, Hunan is the flavour of the moment,

Eating out, often in large groups, is another Chinese obsession indulged in by everyone who can afford to. A contributory reason for these public family meals is the formidable cost of bousing in this land-starved community. A gar-den is an almost unthinkable luxury even for those who have made it and live oo the Peak, as Hong Kong Island's poshest residential district is known.

The New Territories are where most of the high-rise housing is going up fastest, its construction accelerated by completion of the efficient Mass Transit Railway system. In Mrs Chan's tiny Litchen 30 floors up in one of the public housing schemes that provides homes for ocarly half of burned in tiny Buddhist shrine crammed between larder and iron-

he family's washing, Hong Kong's national flag, was threaded on poles poked out of the kitchen window. The flat was minute, everything stowed ingeniously as oo a small boat. A television and video recorder dominated the living room. "You have to have video if you want to keep your children at home," Mrs Chan said, smiling over the heads of her two daughters.

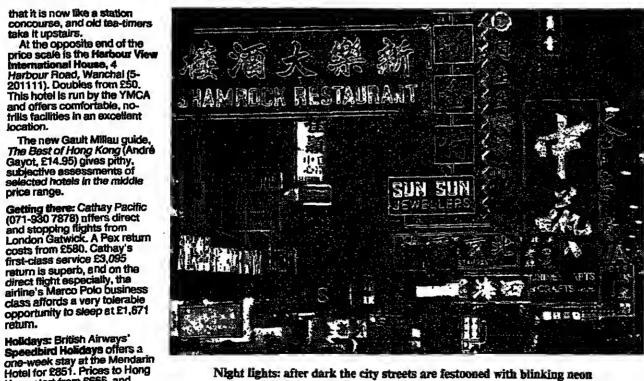
At ground level are the community's shops, with grandmothers much in evidence as child-

minders. Here, too, are the day centres for the elderly and for the handicapped, facilities which allow all but the most severely disabled to live with their familie And here, too, are the schools and kindergartens. I puzzled for a while about why a whole class of pocket-sized three-year-olds, with their colouring books open at an outline of sheep, should start colouring them with blue or yellow polka dots. Then it dawned: these tots had oever seen wool on the boof, but they had been taught it whorled: I wondered, looking at the spotted sheep, what they had made of the information.

At nursery school they were already learning English, the passport in these parts to well paid employment. But as anyone using the city's shops and hotels will quickly hear, a form of English is developing which is a Hoog Kong patois that is an increasingly long way from what, if I may call it that, is the real thing.

The New Territories used to be where people went to see a landscape of duck ponds and fish farms. There is not much of that left oow, and Hong Kong's other islands, Lamu, Cheung Chan and, until the planes start arriving, Lantau, are the weekend retreats of the haves - those, that is, who do not get right away from it all to the casinos of Macau. Take a ferry. It costs less than excursion boats, and offers neither loud-spoken commeotary oor fizzy drink.

HONG KONG: WHERE TO STAY AND WHAT TO DO



Night lights: after dark the city streets are festooned with blinking neon

if it is unusual or a private address, is a useful service performed by hotel staff. Tourist tickets for the Mass Transit Railway cost about £1.50. Avoid the rush hour.

What to see: The 4.5 nights that an average visitor from Britain spends in Hong Kong is not long enough to have good clothes made. A survey found that most people wished they had stayed a week or more, which is. The figures are quoted by the formidably afficient Hong Kong Tourist Association, which produces showers of free information and excellent full and half-day tours under its own lebel. The newest of these are "Home Visits" to high-rise housing developments in the New Territories. More conventional

tours take in tombs, old villeges and temples.

Flagstaff House Museum of Tea Ware is a place of pligrimage on my visits to Hong Kong, and a pool of serenity. The collection is housed in the oldest domestic building still standing, the former headquarters of the Commander of the British Forces, bullt in 1844. It is at Cotton Tree Drive, Central (5-299390).

Where to eat: Because the best hotels can afford to pay . high salaries, the best Chinese chefs are often to be found in them. They are frequentlypoached and hard to keep track of Followers of Gault Millau will probably ignore local opinion, which does not always share the Frenchmen's views.

For Hunan cooking, the in thing, ignore if you can the lily pads on the carpet of the Hunan Garden and sat lambs' paws, superbly braised meat falling off unrecognizable bones, and the hot chicken with chill. At The Forum, Exchange Square, Central (5-868 2880). Expect to pay about £25 for two.

It is very easy to run up huge

restaurant bills in Hong Kong. Choosing a place with flashy decor is one way, choosing dishes with mightily expensive ingredients is another. Watch out for such traditional Cantonese delicacies as shark's fin, abalone, fish maw, goose webs and fresh garoupa. All these for three at the Forum Restaurant, 485 Lockhart Road, Causeway Bay

(5-891 2555), came to about 275 a head. But good food need not be costly in Hong Kong. The dim sum cafés without English menus affer inexpensive eating to those willing to point et what they want when it comes round on trolleys. And in Yung Kee at 32-40 Weilington Street, Central (5-231562) the carmy diner can eat and drink well for £10 e head, its soups and vegetables come in for praise. European food is readily available in the hotels, and the Mendarin Oriental's new chop selling bread and petisserie does a roanng trade with the expatriate population. The

And the state of t

hotel's French restaurant, the Pierrot, is serious and luxurious, although at the last visit there was a disappointing flavour of Swiss hotel school gravy creeping into the sauces. Night life: Much of Hong Kong's night life is of the showy, private sort. Diamonds sparkle on pretty necks in Rolls-Royces speeding past to gatherings the visitor will have no Inkling of Some of this show goes public at cultural events, which tend in this lest outpost of empire to be visiting performances by world-class

Evening horse racing with the gitterati at Happy Valley or Sha Tin is an avent well worth witnessing. If you lack contacts to provide an invitation, the Hong Kong Tourist Association offers tours with dinner.

Topless bars and hostess nightclubs are not hard to find. Live bands to dance to play in popular hotel nightclubs — the Pink Giraffe at the Sheraton (3-691111) and the Eagle's Nest at the Hilton (5-233111).

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TRAVEL

Country life in Edwardian good taste

Pleasures of an Exmoor table make a

memorable weekend for George Hill

ne thing in the world of the country house has not changed days of the Wodehouse oovels. Blandings Castle may have become a conference hotel, the Drones spinning down from Mayfair in their little sports cars may have given way to commodity brokers in Porsches, and the quarters of the departed Empress may have been converted into self-catering apartments. But the question of chefs is just as dramatic as io the days when Aunts and Baronets would plumb the depths of human anguish and perfidy to their rivalry to secure the services of the inimitable Anatole and his unforgettable sauces.

Uowary travellers are all too much at risk of arriving at a country house hotel whose cooking has been warmly praised only to have the realization dawn, as their host unfolds the tale of tonight's menu beside the blazing fire, that the chef has moved on. Country hotel owners wake sweating in the middle of the night from the same nightmare that convulsed many ao Edwardian chatelain: they have succeeded in recruiting a good cook, as cooks go - and that, as good cooks go, theirs

For ambitious young chefs, a peaceful spot in the countryside is an excellent place to make a name. Once that is achieved, the bright lights can become a great temptation. As they spread their wings, the places where they made their names can be left gravely bereft, for there is all the difference in the world between a hotel where the cooking is adequate, and ooe where it is worth seeking out.

Periton Park Hotel, on the edge of Exmoor, has a very good cook indeed. I do not want to decry the hotel's many other attractions, still less to imply any weakness in the ties of loyalty that bind Clive Arthur to Christine and Ian Dodd, the botel's owners, if I

say that the menu is Periton
Park's greatest strength.
Mr Arthur is an imaginative and eclectic cook. He treats vegetables with tenderness and respect, which is a test of real seriousness. In a spot which is a little way off the special terms for weekend

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share a bedroom with a friend

lished lines of supply which seem to operate efficiently. One can well imagine Aunts since the golden and Baronets being set at each the Wodehouse oov- other's throats by his Fillet of English Lamb in a Cage of Puff Pastry; with Madeira sauce and wild mushrooms.
Only half air hour from the

M5. Peritoo Park is oot as far from the beaten track as all that. But the north edge of Exmoor, between the Quan-tocks and Lynmouth, remains relatively peaceful, especially outside the summer season.

It is just at that time of year that a solid Victorian house, built oo a family rather than a feudal scale; and surrounded by 32 acres of gardens and woods, can be one of the most comfortable places on earth. One gazes out through wide bow windows at the mist flowing over the high moorland, and faces with equanimity the alternatives of striding out to glimpse the red deer if the weather riears, or taking a turn round the baronial billiard-table if it does not.

Peritoo Park is one of those hotels where the visitor who expects to sink into institutional anonymity, and is not prepared to sing for his supper, will miss much of the point. Mr and Mrs Dodd themselves as hosts in far more than the managerial sense. They make a point of breaking the ice with introductions over the brandy, and the conferences over the serious business of the menu are a major event of the day.

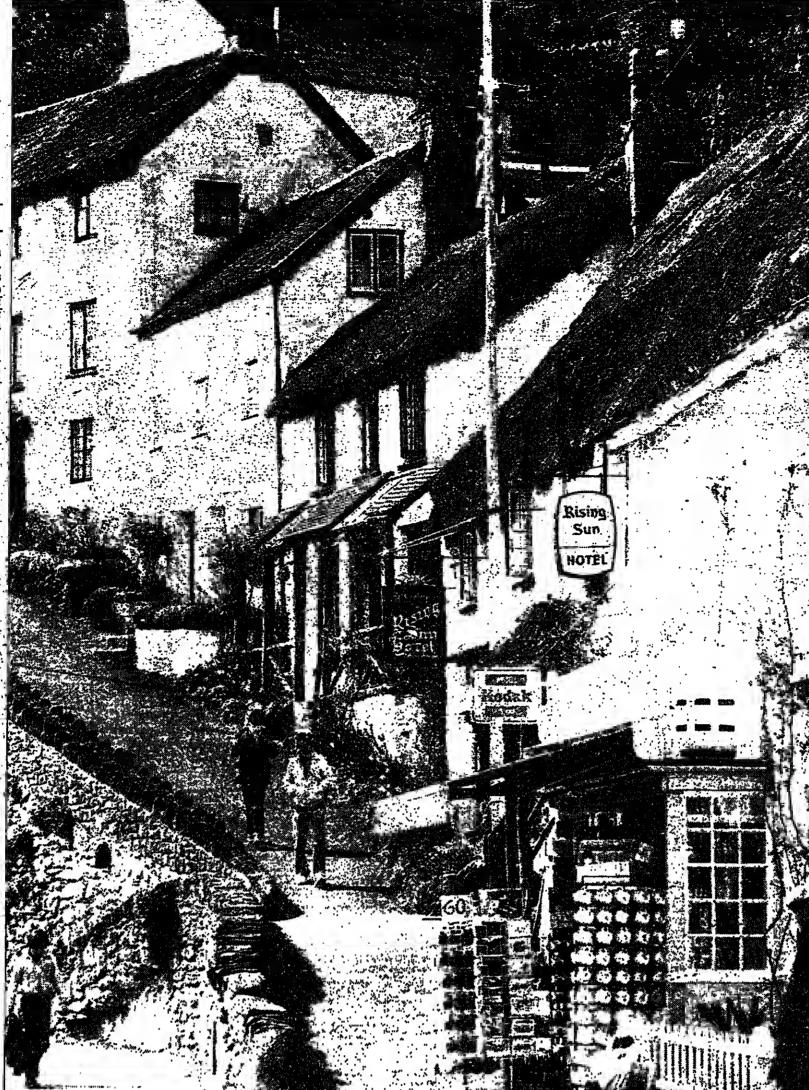
We were lucky: the weather cleared up. Between the sea and the moors, we climbed the deep romantic chasm of Culbooe Combe, which stants up from Porlock, And at the top of the combe, we wove a boly circle once round the wooderfully ordinary-looking firm where Celeridge prob-ably wrote Kubla Khan.

Then the rain came on again and we drove back, anticipating Mr Arthur's Darne of Fresh Salmon poached in Champagne, Aunt Dahlia would have committed mur-

TRAVEL NOTES

Periton Park Hotel, Minehead, West Somerset TA24 8SW (0643 706885), Half-board with dinner ranges from £52.50 a head per night upwards, with beaten track, he has estab- breaks in winter and spring.

One enterprising reader



Whitewashed houses and steep streets: even the popular village of Lynmouth, on the edge of Exmoor, is peaceful outside the summer season.

Peter Tyrie, maoaging

occupancy of a double room if

he has rooms which would

otherwise be empty: "Supple-

TRAVEL NEWS

Pole vault

Berlin for £79 and Warsaw for £99 are the fares on Coach Europe's weekly service to Poland, beginning on June 8. Coach Europe is an International Leisure Group company. Reservations: 0533 510110. Expect to pay about £30 more for a return air fare to Berlin.

Call to arms

An action replay of the battle of Waterloo is being staged oo the site of Wellingtoo's victory. On June 17, the eve of the 175th anniversary, the Napoleonic Society and an nternational cast of 2,000 will re-enact the struggle. Belgian Travel Service (0920 467345) is running a Waterloo Week-end, Return coach travel from London and three night's half-board in Brussels: £199.

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Swanning off

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Shona Crawford Poole

A loud and singular protest

strous, even obscene. These are the words that oormally mild-mannered harbour view room io the readers of The Times employ Shangri-la Hotel, Hong Kong. to air their views oo single On Kuoni's five-night, low room supplements. seasoo price of £887, this adds Why should solo travellers. a whacking 59 per ceot. That, who have very often "reached of course, is on a holiday the stage where we sleep better which is oot cheap in the first alone and prefer to be alooe". instance. But many would-be: wrote one reader who spoke holidaymakers hardest hit hy for many, be so severely

or, heaven forbid, a stranger? limited by poor health or inflation-eroded pensions. Why should they pay more, and get less, than couples? When we published the Your complaints focus on two categories of unfairness: results of our survey on readbeing charged more for a small ers' holiday habits aod aspiraaod ill-favoured single room tions, the penal price put oo privacy was by far the greatest than for sharing a large, wellsource of disquiet. We asked equipped double room; and you to tell us more. being charged a single room supplement for solo use of a

Examples of discrimination double room, in a hotel which are many. The heftiest single is half empty. across is £104 a night for a

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hucked the system successfully. Let Mrs Anna Rohinsoo speak for herself: "In June 1987 I booked the Hotel Spleodido in Puerto Soller, supplements are elderly and Majorca for three weeks. It widowed or divorced people, was the first boliday since my whose choices may already be husband's death. My agent

dim naked bulh right up in the

particularly asked for a nice single room, overlooking the garden if (as usual) no sea view rooms were available for singles. A nice room with garden view was confirmed at a surcharge of £22 extra per week. I arrived and to my horror was put in (literally) a black, dark room with a window only nine inches from a wall. No view of any kind.

Shona Crawford Poole reports readers' ered Los Geranios, run by a Dutchman and his German wife, and I have been there ever since. It is a spotless and friendly place. At Geranios

> "I went down to reception aod balcony rooms should go and asked for the manager. He to singles, as they pay more. was out. I told the head receptionist 'l cannot spend for a small double room is eveo one night in that hlack £8.75 a week, and a balcooy is hole.' Apart from the darkoess another £8.75, still very it was quite airless. I spent two reasonable," oights in reception, sleeping on a sofa. Eventually I was director of Balmoral lotergiven a' good, light, twionational, and a former manbedded room overlooking the ager of Gleneagles Hotel in garden. My courier said: 'They Scotland and the Mandarin always try to get away with Oriental in Hoog Kong, says a letting that room and often good hotelier would oever charge a supplement for single

succeeed." "Towards the end of that holiday I searched around for a small hotel oear the sea with deceot single rooms. I discovsingles are using accommodation that would not otherwise be let." The problem hoteliers face:

he explains is in allocating blocks of rooms, io advance, to tour operators. The assumption is always that the hotel will be full, so rates are set oo costings calculated many months in advance. they said: 'We think that a very good quota of sea views These rates assume double occupancy and the hotelier or tour operator would suffer a This year the single surcharge loss if they were let as singles with oo extra charge.

"You cao always strike a bargain," Mr Tyric suggests. Be prepared to bargain di rectly with hotels.

• Shop around, and never be shy of asking travel agents to question requests for supple-ments on your behalf. If the tour operator or hotel's husioess is slack, they may be prepared to reduce or waive

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Touvelles Frontières waved its magic wand for Ruth and Simon Jones. On impulse, the couple had decided to celebrate their wedding anniversary with a short mid-week break to Paris, hut cut-price airline Air Europe could oot offer them any low fares at all.

"Yes, we do have a £79 APEX fare," sniffed the reservations clerk, "but you must book at least 14 days ahead and stay away over a Saturday night. If you want to fly to Paris next Tuesday and return oo Thursday, our cheapest return fare is £127."

Fortunately, the Joneses were aware that flight consolidators can sometimes bend the rules. So they contacted the London office of Nouvelles Frontières (Air Europe's consolidator for the Paris route) which promptly sold the Joneses the very same seats for just £70 each.

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cial fares and permission to waive booking restrictions.

The availability of savings depends, of course, on market depends, of course, on market conditions. Consolidators do

oot get a look-io for flights to Ireland, Holland, Belgium or many points io Spain and Greece because the existing scheduled fares are so competother countries. If you are flying to Austria,

Austro Tours sells flights with

FARE DEALS consolidator City by City charges £122 to Zurich and £119 for Geneva/Basle. Dan Air consolidator Euro Express features that carrier silights to Paris for £89 return.

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Playing devil's advocate in Bruges

Michael Watkins lifts the covers on the city they call the 'Venice of the "north' and finds a few surprises

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et's be beastly about Bruges. No one else is. You never hear What a dump!" as you might of Brazzaville or Bremen. All you hear are glucose effusions that Briggs is the "Venice of the north", or faint distillations from the 19th century poet Dowson that it is "the most medieval town in Europe". So let us propose objections to canonization; let us play devil's advocate.

Is Bruges, in fact, a bona fide Flemish city? For 200 years it was the most prosperous mercantile centre in western Europe, linking the Baltic and Mediterranean seas. Riches piled high on its docks. If an expression of wealth was required, it was a further requirement that this expression should be in the best possible taste.

But the counts of Flanders and their merchant princes (middlemen or wholesalers on the up and up) were left-footed among the aesthetes and illequipped to distinguish a spandrel from a misericord.
"Help," they cried. And paid
help is what they got; architects, artists and artisans were imported to furnish and decorate on their behalf.

Neither is "medieval" a scrupulously honest word, for Bruges did not explode, all of a pièce; it evolved pragmatically, its progress regulated by fortunes of the state.

· Burgolein subscribes to nine centuries of architecture: the Romanesque is represented by the Basilica, the Town Hall is Gothic, the Old Recorder's House Renaissance, the Provoet's House belongs to the balloque, the Law Courts to the classical. The neo-Gothic facade of the prison was a gift of the 1930s, while the Holiday Inn promises to unveil its tomato ketchup countenance

Further questions of integrify arise by taunts concerning deception, by things not being what they purport to be.
The charming little hunch-

back bridge, the Bonifaciusbrugje, between the Church of Our Lady and the Arentshuis Garden, has a corner-stone dated 1634, although the bridge is hut a recent addition

Most of the wooden façades are fake (though not the one in Kortewinkel), the originals having been dismantled in the 17th and 18th centuries as potential fire hazards. The melodious Gregorian chants you hear in the Basilica of the Holy Blood are indeed Gregorian chants, but taped.

The ultimate in counterfeisance is that although Bruges was conceived as a celebration, Bruggelings them-selves were neither born nor reared as celebrants. Reliable, certainly; worthy, indubitably; fun-loving, never.

While trusting every one of them with my life, I would choose to get drunk with none. The men wear solemn socks and have a natural resistance to exuberance.

Twice I put this theory to the test; once sitting on a bench in Burgplein, then squatting on a wall in the



Medieval-style banners define the shops' offerings

TRAVEL NOTES

• Michael Watkins's arrangements were made by Inntravel, The Old Station, Heimsley, Yorkshire Y06 5BZ (0439 71111). He travelled with a car by P&O European Ferries from Felixtowe to Zeebrugge; two-berth cabin, two nights' bed and breakfast at the Hotel Bryghia, 2224 for two.

Two can dine at family restaurants such as 'T Kapoentje, St Salvatorkoorst 6, and Ghistelhof, West-Ghistelhof 23, for £45, including house wine. If you take a car, park it or find a garage at the first opportunity, for it will be a liability.

Tradition: smiling girls wearing two-tone "habits" and red carnations celebrate the Assumption of the Holy Virgin

Beguinage. Usually when I do spot in 5,000 years time, this, something happens: So-phia Loren or Cher joins me, perhaps an anarchist places a fizzing time-bomb beside me.

In Bruges I just sat.

Passing Bruggelings were orderly, watching the grass grow with cautious interest. Children did not pick flowers or burst bubblegum; dogs refrained from fouling the neat cobbles. There was an air of such sweet reasonableness that I knew, unless I moved, 1 would be found on the same

petrified in marzipan. I realize that statues are not designed to be entertaining; their subjects would derive scant satisfaction by grinning fatuously into perpetuity. Thus does Hans Memling glower and Guido Gezelle look as if he has swallowed something nasty; even Papageno, who, after all, had much to be pleased about, seems in

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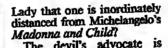
The devil's advocate is never best loved; but at least I felt that I couldn't be the only visitor who would prefer to be in the Venice of the south. Then, in the Groeninge Mu-seum to be precise, I had a quiet, illicit chuckle. The van Eycks and Breughels were all very well; but it was Hieronymus Bosch's Laatste Oordeel that caught my fancy. A "judgement" picture of the who's-ior-heaven-who \$-10 the-pit? genre, it was an ingenious romp, macabre, tongue-in-cheek.

The picture bucked me up no end. So did my hotel, the Bryghia, which dated from the 14th century and was perched over a bottle-green canal in Oosterlingenplein, 15 min-utes stroll from the Restaurant 'T Kapoentie, where, although I appreciated that man cannot live by bearnaise alone, he would be retarded

not to kill for the recipe. The excellence of dinner unsheathed another dagger with which to hack at my thankless brief; surely any city which obliges McDonald's to close due to lack of patronage is an irreproachable candidate for canonization.

By 11pm the streets were void: not a pickpocket or pervert in sight. No lingering lovers either. Indoors, my mind's eye glimpsed Bruggelings, usurers all, counting loose change, plumbing the depths of their own probity. Masonry glowed in honeycoloured shades; somewhere a master-switch disconnected all sound and passion, embalming this flawless city in

self-absorption. Eventually I took an inventory of my likes and dislikes. Profits included the sturdy 12th century columns in St Basil's Chapel (but not



the painted wooden carving of the Virgin and Child with their ronged cheeks and goody-goody expressions); the pure lines of the Beguinage Church and even purer lines of the Benedictine sister sweeping the altar steps; the startled look in the eyes of one particular cod in the neoclassical Fish Market, all the bas-reliefs in Huidevettersplein; the least faded of the Gobelin tapestries and

'Quellin's massive organ in St Saviour's Cathedral; alms-houses at 13 Katelijnestraat, coffee at the Brasserie T Mozarthuys.

In the debit column, I entered several panes of hor-rid stained glass in the Basilica, as well as the showy pulpit representing the terrestrial globe; low-flying mallard; par-

dens, lace in any shape or form.

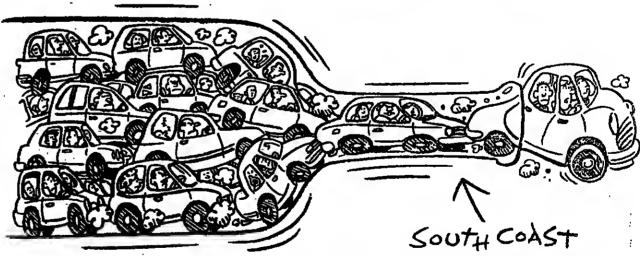
There is a building that resolutely declines to be categorized; Jerusalem Church.

more like a private chapel, not at all grand; except of course globe; low-flying mallard; par-simony that demands en-trance fees to most treasures for the long aristocratic noses but laughter is a leap. It is easy in effigy of the founding to be heavy; hard to be light. Satan fell by the force of worth looking at; poodles in possessed of serenity; if you do gravity"?

I think I'm done, How are you voting on the canonization referendum: yea or nay? You have to ring a bell for a caretaker to admit you. Measuring 13 paces by 11, it is wasn't it Chesterton

requiring serious considera-tion. Wasn't it Chesterton who said, solemnity flows out of man naturally; but laughter is a leap. It is easy

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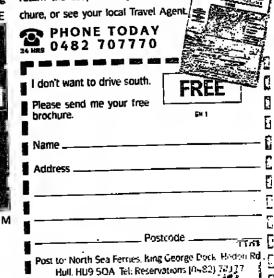
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